

K. Africa. — Company of Scotland, &c.
**The Council-General of the Indian and African Company's
Petition to His Majesty.**

May it please Your Majesty,

WE Your Majesty's most dutiful Subjects, the Council-General of the Company of *Scotland* Trading to *Africa* and the *Indies*, do in all Humble Duty beg leave to lay before Your Majesty the present Condition of our Affairs.

Your Majesty from an earnest desire of the Flourishing of your Ancient Kingdom, having been graciously pleased by the 32 Act of the 4th. Session, and by the 8th. Act of the 5th. Session of this Current Parliament, and Your Majesty's Letters Patent under the Great Seal of this Kingdom following thereupon, to Authorize the *Settling of Plantations and Colonies in Asia, Africa, or America, by the Natives of this Kingdom, and such Others as should joyn with them*, as in the said Acts of Parliament, and Letters Patent, is more particularly express'd.

We and our Constituents, Your Majesty's most Loyal Subjects did, upon the Faith and Encouragement of the said Acts and Letters Patent, enter into a *Society*, Erect a *Company of Trade*, and with Great Charge, and after many Difficulties, settled a *Plantation* on the North-side of the *Isthmus of Darien*, a Place precisely in the Terms of the said Acts of Parliament and Letters Patent.

And being Sensible, That as our Company had its Birth from Your Majesty's most Gracious Favour, so it could not subsist but by your Royal Protection. We did therefore, in all humble Manner, Petition Your Majesty's *High Commissioner* and the *Estates of Parliament*, Assembled the 19th. of *July* 1698.

Upon which, The *Estates of Parliament* did, with great Unanimity Address Your Majesty, *That you would in your Royal Wisdom be pleased, to take such Measures as might effectually Vindicate the undoubted Rights and Privileges of the said Company, and support the Credit and Interest thereof.*

That Session of Parliament ending, before any Return could be had from Your Majesty; Reports have been spread by the Enemies of our Settlement, as if our Company had not Your Majesty's Protection: And as an Evidence thereof, That Proclamations have been Issued out in Your Majesty's Name, by your Governours in all the *American* Plantations, not only to Deprive our said Company and Colony of the friendly Assistance that might Reasonably have been expected from our Neighbour-Nation; But also, *strictly forbidding all Your Majesty's Subjects, or Others within these Plantations, to enter into any Traffick or Commerce with the said Colony, and that no Provisions, Arms, Ammunition, or other Necessaries whatsoever, should be Transported or Carried to them, either in their own Vessels, or any other Ship or Vessel for their Use, and that under the outmost Pains, Penalties, and Forfeitures, mentioned in the said Proclamations.*

Which Proceedings we have but too much Reason to believe, have been of Fatal Consequence to our Company and Colony, and consequently to the Interest of all Your Majesty's good Subjects in this Kingdom. And we being fully Perswaded, that nothing could be so Conduciblé for the Support of our said Company and Colony in our present Circumstances, as some special Testimonies and Evidences of your Royal Protection.

We do therefore in all Humility and Earnestness, beg of Your Majesty's Fatherly Care of our said Company in particular, and of the Nation in General, That Your Majesty would be graciously pleased, to take off the Force and Effect of these Proclamations, which have been so Prejudicial to us, and to signify your Royal Pleasure to the Governours of these your Plantations, that We may be supplied in the Common and Ordinary way of Commerce.

As also, That Your Majesty may allow your Parliament to Meet at the Day appointed in November next, or as soon as possibly can be, that Your Majesty may have the Advice and Assistance of the Great Council of this Nation, in such a Weighty and General Concern, which we hope God will Bless with an Happy Issue to His Glory, the Honour of your Majesty, the Credit of your Parliament, the Interest of the Nation, and the Good of our Company and Colony.

*Sign'd at Edinburgh the 19th. Day of October 1699. In Name,
Presence, and by Order of the said Council-General, by*

May it please Your M A J E S T Y,

*Your Majesty's most Faithful, most Dutiful,
most Humble, and most Obedient
Subject and Servant*



B E L H A V E N I . P . C . G .

To which His Majesty was pleas'd to give the following Answer.

WILLIAM R.

Right Trusty and Well-beloved, we Greet you Well. Your Petition has been presented to Us by Our Secretaries, and we do very much regret the loss which that our Ancient Kingdom and the Company has lately sustained: We will upon all Occasions, Protect and Encourage the Trade of the Nation: And we will also take Care, that the Subjects of that our Kingdom, shall have the same freedom of Trade and Commerce with our *English* Plantations as ever they had formerly.

Our Current Parliament is Adjourn'd to the 5th. Day of March next, and we will Order that the Parliament shall Meet when we judge that the Good of the Nation does require it. And so We bid you heartily Farewell. *Given at our Court at Kensington the 2d. day of November 1699. and of our Reign the 11th. Year.*

By His Majesty's Command,
S E A F I E L D .

*To our Right Trusty and Well-beloved,
the Council-General of the Company of
our Ancient Kingdom of Scotland, Trading
to Africa and the Indies.*

THE
CASE
K. Evelyn - Petition of Lord
OF THE *Petitioners*
WOOLLEN--DRAPERS.

IT is Humbly Desired by the *Woollen-Drapers* of the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, and within the Weekly Bill of Mortality, that if Your Lordships shall think fit to Pass the *Clothier's Bill*, with what Amendments Your Lordships think most Proper, whereby the *Merchant* and *Draper* may not be Discouraged in their Trades. Your Lordships will be Pleased to Insert a Clause, that no Person or Persons, shall Sell or Cut, any *Cloth* or *Bays* by Retale, but those who have Served an Apprenticeship of *Seven Years* to the *Wollen-Drapers Trade*, upon the Penalty of — for every Yard of *Cloth* or *Bays*, that shall be so Cut or Disposed of by any such Person; for want of which Clause, the Trade is so spoiled, that many Gentlemen who have put their Sons to it, before they have Served half their time, have met with such Discouragements that they turn Ill Husbands, and so go Home to their Friends, or take worse Courses, which has been to the Ruin of many: And all other Cities and Corporations have the like Benefit as is here Humbly Desired.

There are *Acts of Parliament* of long standing to this Effect, but the Penalty is so small, that it prevents putting them in force.

THE
CASE
OF THE
WOOLLEN-DRAPERS.



**AU CROC
COUR**

DE LAIN, Marchand Fripiers de la Tonnellerie, chandises vieilles & neu & Manteaux de Drap d' reaux de Moire noire, doublez de lot de Bruxelles & de Baracan de Fia & de toute autre façon & couleur; luf tes de façons; lufes-à corps de Velc aussi toutes sortes de Marchandises Buffles, Elcharpes, Houffes enrichi çons; Houliates, Habits longs, Ca Chambré Indiennes, & toutes autr la mode & des mieux faire; & le le deuil, Habits de Mariages & a d'at tres couleurs.

A Copy of a Letter to the Lord Major of York Dated Whitehall July 29. 1696.

My Lord

THE Lords Commissioners of his Majesties Treasury, taking Notice of a Scandalous Reflection as well upon their Lord-ships; as upon Alderman Thompson of the City of York; as if my Lords had directed Six Hundred Pounds to be paid to him, to be Distributed amongst the Poor of York City; and that he had Converted, the greatest part thereof to his own use; Their Lord-ships Command me to Acquaint you; as well in Vindication of themselves as of the said Alderman Thompson against the said aspersion: That their Lord-ships Directed no such Summe to be paid to him, nor know of any Summe whatsoever paid to him or any other for that purpose, and they desire your Lord-ship to Communicate this matter in the City of York; for Satisfaction of all persons, that may otherwise lye under Misinformation therein: I am with all Respect.

My Lord

Your Lord-ships,
Most Obedient Servant
William Lowndes.

AT THE
Auction-house
FOR
PICTURES
In St. ALBAN'S-STREET.

WILL be Expos'd to Sale on Monday the 1th of March, at Two a Clock in the Afternoon; A Curious Collection of PICTURES, being part of those which formerly belong'd to the Cardinal Antonie Barbarin. With an Addition of many Eminent PICTURES, Painted by the best Hands of the most Antient and Modern Masters.

They will be Expos'd to View on the First of March, and so continued for three Days; being Thursday, Friday and Saturday.



AT THE
BOARDED-HOUSE
IN
MARYBONE-FIELDS,

This present Wednesday, the first of this Instant August, 1722.
Will be Perform'd a

Tryal of Skill by the following Masters.

WHEREAS I ROBERT WALDRON, Plumber, Master of the Noble Science of Defence, who lately fought Mr. Stokes; but he not standing up, but tumbling off the Stage, and dancing about as who he was afraid of the sword; I do invite Mr. John Parkes, who was his Second, to meet me and fight at the usual Weapons fought on the Stage; to show that I can and dare fight those that are the best Masters.

JOHN PARKES, from Greenway, Master of the said Science, am I sorry to see so many Cowards and pretended Masters presume to come here, to Challenge those who are real Masters; who not only lessen the Sword, but disappoint those Gentlemen who are Lovers of it; will not fail to meet him as above, knowing he is bold, and one that will give Satisfaction.

N. B. The Boxes will be set at Three, and the Masters mount at Six precisely.
Vivat Rex.

To Alderman Thompson.

A Copy of a Letter from Brian Fairfax Esq; Dated, London July 23. 1696.

MY Lord Godolphin this day took notice in Councell of a Passage in one of the Newes Printed papers the last Tuesday July, 21st. Either the Post Boy or flying post or some of them? Wherein he published a Notorious Lye, Concerning an Alderman of York, that had Received Six hundred pounds to Distribute amongst the Poor of that City, and keeps the five Hundred pounds to himself. By this (Says my Lord Godolphin) he seems to accuse an honest worthy, Gentleman Alderman Thompson Burges of York; and if he had named him, the Author of the Scandall, ought to have been prosecuted with the utmost Severity for it's a malicious falsehood, and no ground for it, for there never was any Summe paid to any man upon that Account. This gave my Lord Arch Bishop of Canterbury occasion, to Speak of the Services you have done the Government &c. And his Grace bid me acquaint you with this, with his affectionate Service to you.

Yours, Br: Fairfax.

To the Right Honourable the Knights, Citizens and
Burgesses in Parliament Assembled.

The humble Proposal of Lewis Rawlins, Whether the Restraining of Retailers of Beer and Ale within the Kingdom of England and Dominion of Wales from Brewing, may not only prove profitable to the Crown, but be expedient; upon due consideration of subsequent Reasons.

- I. **B**ecause it will supply his Majesties Exchequer in present with three hundred thousand pounds of lawful money or thereabouts; without the least trouble to the King, or Kingdom, to which Sum the present Farmers of the Excise can make no claim.
- II. It will advance his Majesties Annual Revenue in the Excise of Beer and Ale for the future, and that considerably.
- III. It will save his Majestie near 30000 per annum, which hath hitherto been disbursed out of that part of his Revenues in contracting the number of Officers which attend that duty.
- IV. It will obviate that general Fraud which is practised by these brewing Retailers, to the detriment of his Majestie some thousands yearly.
- V. Hereby the common Brewer will receive encouragement from his encrease of Trade.
- VI. No damage can hereby accrue to the Farmers of the Excise, for they still enjoy their contract: The consumption of Beer and Ale will not be lessened by reducing the Brewing only of such Excisable Liquors to the common Brewer, whilst the Victuallers, Inholders and the like, retail as great quantities as formerly, which in short, is but for Country Retailers to conform to the Example of the City of London.

This Proposition may perhaps be excepted against by the Commissioners of the Excise, whose Labor in the Kings business is hardly justified by the ensuing Narrative.

The Propounder L.R. Gager in the year 1573. did exhibit as many Informations in the Excise office against W.C. a common Brewer in London, as the forfeitures thereupon amounted to above 2000*l.* some of those were heard by the Commissioners, and W.C. the offender thereupon condemned in the sum of 340*l.* or thereabouts.

The Prosecutor continued soliciting the Commissioners by Petitions, and otherwise during the space of six Moneths, to hear and determine the remaining Propositions, upon which, the said W.C. (if Justice had accordingly been done) must as inevitably have been pronounced guilty, as he was upon those which were tried.

Whilst Justice was thus delayed. W.C. makes his Address to Sir William Bucknall and other Farmers of the Excise, and with the payment of 200*l.* or such like sum to them contracts to purchase his peace, and excuse his crime.

At this Contract Robert Huntingdon and Richard Kingdon Esquires, two of the Commissioners connive, and from that day hitherto, the prosecutor could not by any means be admitted to make good the charge against the said W.C. a practice infinitely tending to the prejudice of the Kings interest, and contrary to the Act of Parliament in that case made and provided, which gives one moiety of the Fines to the Informer, whereof the Informer L.R. hath not as yet received one penny.

Hereupon the Prosecutor being in effect denied Justice by the Commissioners, humbly acquaints his Majesty by Petition with his grievance, who graciously referred the examination of the matter to the present Lord High Treasurer, of which so soon as the aforementioned Commissioners had notice, they and the Farmers without any other cause dismissed the said L.R. out of his office of Gager, of which injury the Propounder justly complains, and prays upon the whole matter Redress, as the wisdom of Parliament shall judge meet.



By His Majesties Permission.

THese are to give Notice to all Ladys, and others, That Claudius Dupuys, in Long-Acre at the Sign of the Kings Arms, over against the Kings Bagnio. He did last Summer show Paterns for a Printer; but now he Prints himself, being he found out by his Ingenuity Collour beyond all other Printers, and more lasting and better gloss, without any ill smell, as others doth it; He Prints all sorts of Flowers or Birds, and Imitates the Indian Attleses, or other Silk to great perfection. He hath great Variety of the newest Paterns in Gold or Silver, mixt with such Collour as the Ladys fancy; and will wash and bare any water without Deminishing his Collour, or properly equal to those that are wrought with a Loom, Needle, or by other arts or means, and all together as durable and lasting, for no water will alter the Collour of it. He Prints upon all sorts of Silk or Stuff New or Old, the new will show as well and as Rich as Imbrodery doth. and the Old will look new again, and the like for Ribon and Stomacher for Stays to Imitate any Trimming. He likewise stains all manner of Silk, and Prints all sorts of Callico and Lining, with such lively Collour in various Figures, that no washing can Impare.

He sells several other Curiosities at Reasonable Rates.

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To the LORDS and COMMONS
in Parliament Assembled.

A Supplement to the Proposal for a Colledge of Industry, Shewing a Regular Constant Employ for the Poor, is the best Foundation of Trade, and the greatest Improvment to the Nation, and Consequently support to the Government, whilst the want of it tends to the Poor's Misery, Poverty of the Rich, and Governments Weakening.

Supposing there are seven Millions of People in the Nation, and that one in fourteen, either will not work, or want it; That is, five Hundred Thousand Men, Women and Children.

And Reckoning they might Earn one with another Sixpence a Day, a Head, it comes to Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Pound a Day; which is Seventy-five Thousand Pound a Week.

That makes Three Millions Nine Hundred Thousand Pounds a Year, the Nation loseth by Idleness, besides our loss in Land Unimproved by it, which is no small Sum.

To which add but two pence a Head a Day, the Nation is at Charge in Parish Rates, and other Gifts to the Poor, comes to one Million Three Hundred Thousand Pound a Year; which Account in the whole makes the Loss and Charge to the Nation to be,

Five Millions Two Hundred Thousand Pound a Year.
Tho' the Parish Rates be not much above eight Hundred Thousand Pound a Year for the Poor, yet the Gifts otherwise given them, make, I suppose, near as much more.

Now if one or two Millions of this may be saved by the Idle and Indigent, (and they better Maintained and Bred) what Profit may be further added to the Nation, by the several Millions of other Labourers that might be Employed, in a better Method then they are? A Regular Constant Employment, as much Excelling an Irregular Uncertain One, for Profit, as a well Disciplined Army in Order, excels in Strength and Conduct, an Ignorant Scattered Multitude.

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It's the Raising more then we Spend by the Industry and Labour of the People, must strengthen the Nation to support the Government ; all other ways and means mounting to no more then how to Tax them equally, and with least sence to the People.

Some Reasons for joyning Husbandry to Manufactures for employing the Poor, as proposed for a Colledge of Industry.

1. **H**usbandmen are as useful, and wanted as much as any Mechanicks, much Land wanting People to Manage it, and more People want Bread than Cloathing, and as our Food is double the Value of our Apparel, and of more necessity, (the Back may be promised, but the Belly must be fed) if we will employ more People in Manufactures, or Cloathing, than there is need for, and want them in raising Food, our Cloath may Moth-eat for want of vent, whilst the Poor pine for want of Bread.

2. They will less Clog any Market with their Manufactures, some of their Hands being upon Husbandry, and also the People in Husbandry will take off a good part of their Manufactures.

3. As they will make lets to Clog the Market, so they will not be under a necessity of selling to buy Bread (having Food enough of their own) nor of selling under or before a Market offers.

4. Whatever is raised or spent in the Nation, the fewer Hands it goes through between the Raiser and User, is for the Advantage of the Publick, the Raiser having the better Price, or the Spender buys it the Cheaper, or both, and it being sent abroad to Foreign Markets, it may be afforded the Cheaper, either to the keeping an Old, or gaining a New Trade with Strangers.

And tho' Idle or Lude Poor are (like a Mans Limbs out of joynt) Chargeable and Vexatious; yet when Industrious, they support the Rich, and the more we have of them, the stronger the Nation; for if a City is of more Value than a Village, London than Irlington, the People cannot be too Numerous, if every employ be but in a due Proportion one to the other, Husbandmen with other Mechanicks.

But the want of Proportioning our Labourers, is what makes the complaint against a Multitude of them, and many Industrious Poor groan under, a dull Commodity for want of vent, especially adding the increase of Foreigners, who increase our Manufactures (and not our Husbandry) and with hard Living and cheap Working, bring our Poor Mechanicks



To The Right Honourable Convention.

Gentlemen, Though you have a *New Name*, yet I hope you are not all *New Members*, but most of you I hope, are *Sons of that Blessed Church of England, that has been always sustain'd for Loyalty*: And now it is the *Wisdom of God* to try *Loyalty* by *Popery*, I hope the *Lord* will give you such *Wisdom* to *Distinguish* between *Loyalty* and *Popery*, that you may retain your *Loyalty* to the *End*; and I doubt not but *You* will obtain a *Crown of Reward*: And though there may be many things said against the *King*, yet *do by him* as you would have *God* do by you, and consider that *he* has been *misled* by *strangers*, as many *Men* has been *misled* by *strange women*, yet they are not willing their *Wives* should turn them out of *doors* and take other *Husbands*, tho' they might do it by the *Law*, yet *People* would think such to be *Bad Women*: But I consider that *He* was *Son* to that *Pious Prince* whom spite and malice *stew*, and *Brother* to my *Precious Sovereign* under whose *Wings* you had *Peace* and *Plenty*, and for their *Sakes* as well as for his *Own*, I love him although I never lov'd *Popery*: and therefore I made *Application* to the *King* from *Time* to *Time*, to forbear *Promoting* it, for I lov'd the *King* and the *Kingdoms Peace*. But since it is so, I beseech *Your Honours*, not to add greater *Sins* to *lesser*; least at last you be without *Hope*:

Therefore I humbly beseech *You* to make *Application* to the *Lords*, that there may be a *Faſt* for *Your better Direction* in this *Great Affair*, (and because *Mens Hearts* are not prepared, that there may be *Three Days Preparation* before the *Faſt*) that *You* may find *Grace* and *Favour* before *God* that *He* may *Direct* *You*, that all your *Doings* may be for *His Glory*, and the *Good* of the *King* and *Kingdom*; for you know that *God* would not allow the *Children* of *Israel* to go a *whoring* after other *gods*, neither is it *His Will* that your *minds* should run upon another *king*, but that *You* must Love Him, and Pray for Him, and wherein He has done Amis, *You* must Pardon Him as you would have *God* Pardon *You*, Beseeching *God* to *Convince* and *Convert* Him, and be not Faithless but Believing; and in so *Doing*, *You* will oblige Her who *Wishes* not any *Thing* above *Your Present and Eternal Happiness*.

ELINOR JAMES.

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Mechanicks to their rate of Working and Living (ours have not been used to) or else stand still and Beg, which makes them hate the Poor Afflicted Strangers (that Fly hither from Misery) as Eating the Bread out of our Poor's Mouths.

Whereas in this Colledge-Method I Propose (Consisting of Temperance, Industry, and a due Proportioning of all Trades and Employments (like a due quantity of Various Materials in Building, whilst too many of one thing, and too few of another will make the Building lame, if not useles) we may employ and plentifully provide all Conveniences of Living, for our own Poor with Profit, and when we have seen the Experience from that Copy, with the same Improvement we may Employ all the Foreign Poor that will come, who will be a Treasure to the Nation, if well ordered (with this advantage also, that it will leave Foreign Princes the fewer Hands to hurt us) whose Children (tho' not their Parents) will become Natives of England, many of our Nobility and Eminent Gentry, and Citizens (true English Men) being the Offspring of Strangers.

And such a Regular Employ of our People that brings a due Proportion and Plenty of all things, will encourage their Marriage and the coming hither of Strangers (we having Land enough to Employ and Maintain double our Number, especially a well managed Fishery being added) and the increasing of our People, is the best Improving of our Land and Fishery, and increasing of our Trade and Seamen (Transplanting as much as may be all Foreign Growth, to grow in our own Plantations.)

Therefore I pray you will permit a Bill to be brought in to Incorporate (with other suitable Incouragements to) any Persons that shall be willing to set on Foot such a Colledge of Industry.

John Bellers.

FINIS.

Proposals by John Blener-hassett and George Rogers, Esquires, for Encouraging a Linnen Manufactory, at Killarney in the County of Kerry, and Planting Protestants there.

That every Protestant who will set up a Loom, and Employ the same in the Weaving of Linnen or Canvas of any sort, shall have for a reward set out to him, Ground for a Houſe and Garden, and Twelve English Acres of arable and profitable Land, for which he shall pay but One penny for the first Seven years, and a moderate rate after.

And all others skilled in any part of the Linnen Manufactory, shall have all reasonable Encouragement they can desire.

And any other Protestant that will come and live there, shall have an Acre of Ground set out to him for Houſe and Garden, Rent-Free for Seven years.

All the said Planters shall have Timber for Building on the said Premises, Free, and appointed them within half a mile of their Plantations.

And for the further Encouragement of the Linnen Manufactory, the said Hassett and Rogers, will take of all their Linnen at Market price, and give them constantly ready money for the same.

John Blener-hassett,

Geo. Rogers.

LE JEU de L'OMBRE DES PRINCES.

Tout l'hyver 1684. s'est passé en divertissements, à la Comedie, en Wirſchafſ, en Balets, en Opera, & en Deguiſemens; Il n'y a guere de Princes dans l'Europe, qui n'aye fait quelque Maſcarade conſiderable; Sur tout on a beaucoup Joué à l'Ombre. L'Assemblée se tenoit dans une grande & magnifique ſale ou tous les Potentats de l'Europe estoient receus & n'estoient ſervis que par des Ministres du premier Ordre: L'on Jouoit à plusieurs tables, les uns tenoient la carte, les autres conſeilloient, les uns Jouoient grand jeu, les autres petit, quelques uns regardoient, d'autres faisoient de moitié, les uns mettoient au jeu pour d'autres, quelques uns se promenoient par la ſale les bras croisés, examinant les mines & les contenance des Joueurs, il estoit deſſendu de parler que de jeu: c'est pour cette raison qu'on en deſſendit l'entrée aux Prinſeſſes. J'ay appris le detail comme tout s'est passé de deux Jeſuites, à qui l'Empereur & le Roy de France, firent accorder, par grace, la charge d'Huiffiers de la porte, à la charge & condition qu'ils n'entreroient point, ni n'ecouteroient point les Joueurs; mais cette precaution fut inutile, car ils font tellement accoutumés à mettre le nez par tout que malgré la defence ils ouvroient la porte de tems en tems & avancoient leurs cornes. Ils me dirent en confidence, qu'il y avoit parmi les Princes des tres Mechants & rudes Joueurs qu'il y en avoit même qui se ruinoient, qu'on n'entendoit que des ſoupirs & des plaintes dans cette aſſemblée & que ce devoit estre une grande conſolation pour des misérables

Those that desire Health,
May have the Elixir of Health at Stephen
Trigg's in Gravel-Lane in South-
warke, near St. George's Fields, by
the White-Hart: his Name on his Door.

THERE be many Elixirs, but none to compare with this, nor come near it, for it is the nearest to an Universal Medicine on Earth; for he hath practised it near fifty years, and thirty since the Lord was pleased to reveal the Vertues of the same to him: and since that it hath been his Refuge to save the Lives of all in distress (his own as well as others) curing all Diseases, when other Medicines could not prevail: it seldom fails, (Only it is dear.) It cures those Diseases which no other Medicine can; and with this the Lord hath been pleased to do Miracles, that all may know his Power: by helping abundance of despairing Souls, being afflicted with Barrenness; and those direful and corroding Cancers in the Breasts and Wombs; and by saving many Women and Children that were even lost by hard Travel: It expells all venomous Humours, and helps the Plague and all Pestilential Fevers and Agues: It helps the Gout, Scurvey, Dropfie and Jaundies: And all those that are consumptive and decayed in Nature, by taking this daily are so recovered that they are lusty and strong beyond expression. The cause therefore of printing this is, to satisfy all People that there is now a Medicine which our Fore-fathers fought for many Generations, but could not obtain: for God's time is the best. If People could believe, certainly by the use of this they will be preserved from many Diseases, and kept in Health; thereby disappointing many Doctors of getting great Estates, and themselves of having occasion to take those Mortal Potions that make a dark Massacre.

I would teach it to all such as the Lord shall stir up to learn it, so that People may see the Lord's Power in the Medicine, working so beyond all on Earth, that all may Praise him for ever.

Leave Debanchery, and that Judgment, the Fox, will cease. Women, Women, love your Husbands, and be civil; the Lord is good; bring not Misery on your selves: Young Men, fear God and depart from evil: Fools will babble: be sober, watch.

Keep this Bill, for it will help you, and save you Money.

FOR THE
 TRYAL
 OF
 Dr. Henry Sacheverell
 IN WESTMINSTER-HALL,
 The 20. Day of March, 1709.

bles de voir les Maîtres du Monde dans des inquietudes continuelles;

L'Empereur, disoit, Je ne craindrois rien & je jouerois hardiment, si je ne craignois les fausses cartes qui me rentrent a tout moment.

Le Roy de France, comme je sçai par experience qu'on ne perd que faute d'argent, c'est pourquoy j'en tire de toutes choses & je ne serai pas content si je ne fais la Volte.

Le Roy d'Espagne, comme c'est moy qui a mis le jeu en vogue, il est bien raisonnable que j'en fasse les honneurs & que je jouie sans prendre.

Le Roy d'Angleterre, je passe a fort beau jeu afin de gagner le Codille.

Le Roy de Pologne, c'est assez jouie pour autrui voyons si je serai aussi heureux pour moy même.

Le Roy de Portugal, je me retire du jeu pour un temps, car j'ay perdu une bonne joueuse.

Le Roy de Suede, je veux changer les cartes pour voir si la fortune changera.

Le Roy de Dannemarck, j'ay presentement assez beau jeu depuis que le Roy de Triomphe m'est entré.

Le Grand Seigneur, l'On sçait que je n'aime pas le jeu, mais afin de ne demeurer pas inutile, je veux bien faire de moitié avec le Roy de France.

Le Duc de Savoye, Je n'ay pas eu le temps d'apprendre ce jeu, mais ma Mere & ma l'emme me l'apprendront.

La Republique de Venise, Je n'ai jamais aimé les jeux de hazard & je ne jouerai qu'à l'extremité.

La Republique de Gênes, quoyque je perde je m'en console, parce que j'aurai toujours le renom d'avoir joué franc jeu.

Les Electeurs du Rhyn, Nous ne voulons pas jouer de peur d'estre obligés de fournir la table, les tapis & les cartes.

L'Electeur de Cologne, pendant que je dis mes heures un autre jouera en mon nom.

L'Electeur de Brandebourg, j'ay assez bien jouie de mon tems, quand j'aurai quitté la carte mon fils jouera comme il luy plaira.

Les Electeurs de Baviere & de Saxe, Si nous faisons la Bête ce fera

fera en bonne compagnie & nous aurons la consolation d'avoir jouie le jeu régulièrement.

L'Electeur de Treve, Je ne perds pas tant qu'on croit.

Les Princes de Brunswick, nous ne jouions que par honneur, mais il n'est pas raisonnable de mettre au jeu pour tout le monde.

Les Princes d'Italie, c'est un jeu Espagnol, nous ne voulons pas l'apprendre, nous nous souvenons bien de ce qu'il nous a coûté autre ois.

Les Hollandois, tachons seulement de faire remettre presentement.

Le Prince d'Orange, je jouie en Cœur & quoy que je n'aye que l'Espadille, s'il m'étoit permis je hazarderois tout.

Le Duc de Lorraine, j'ay le plus mechant jeu du monde, je n'ay pas même de quoy mettre au jeu, mais j'ay toujours quelque esperance dans l'entrée.

L'Evesque de Strasbourg, mon employ est de mesler les cartes & d'en tirer du profit dont je m'acquies assez bien.

Le Pape, je défends ce jeu, mais le mal est que peu s'en soucient.

Le Tekely, les Huissiers quoy qu'ils soient d'ordinaire gens assez traitables, ne reconnoissant ni son habillement ni sa Couronne, luy fermerent rudement la porte au nez, en disant: Les malquez n'entrent point ici, il y en a assez sans vous, mais le Tekely indigné leur respondit, je le croy, car il y en a jusques hors de la porte & ayant reconnu les Bons Peres Jesuites, il se retira sans insister davantage, et partant d'entrer par les fenestres.

Les Ambassadeurs de l'Empereur, avoient soin de tirer les rideaux des fenestres pour cacher l'Orage & le mauvais temps a la compagnie.

Les Ambassadeurs de France, attisoient soigneusement le feu.

Les Ambassadeurs d'Angleterre, demouroient les bras croisés & juroient des coups.

La plus part des Ministres en general, cherchoient, ou recevoient de l'argent, pour eux mêmes, ou pour leurs Maîtres que les uns mettoient au jeu, les autres dans la bourse.

F I N.



At the Blew-Ball in Sir William Pritchards Rents in
Haydon-Yard in the Little-Minories near the Tower,
London, liveth Mr. Elmy, Operator, Occulist, and
Practitioner of that Noble Art of Healing: who

IN a most Excellent manner Cureth all sorts of Deafness in any, from the Age of Seven to Four-score years, although it hath remained on them Twenty or Thirty years, He performs the Cure without any pain to the Patient, and that in the space of an hour: He also resolvethe the Patient at first sight, if it be all curable or not. He also giveth Remedies against all Noise or pains in the Ears, all this He performeth although the Patient hath been left off as incurable by others. He hath Cured several hundreds in this City, lately several Persons of most Eminent quality.

He Cureth the *Gonorrhoea* or running of the Reins, (if newly contracted) in Ten days, taking away the sharpness of Urine in three or four days time, never hindring business; neither shall the nearest Relation or Bed-fellow perceive their Distemper: His Medicines being truly prepared for that purpose, so that none are oblig'd to keep the house, and if any have been dammified by bad Medicines, he gives them Remedy, his great Arcana's being free from *Mercury*, which being ill prepared, have prov'd fatal to many.

Let the Distemper be never so Virulent and Old, he doth Cure it in a short time with great ease.

He Infalibly Cures Agues of all sorts, *Quotidian*, *Tertian*, and *Quartan*.

He hath likewise an expeditious way in curing all pains in the Teeth without Drawing.

He hath likewise a most excellent *Gargarisme* or Mouth-Water, which Cures any Canker, Ulcers, or Scurvey in the Mouth, fastning Loose Teeth, and making black ones as white as Ivory.

He hath a most Famous Pill for Curing the Scurvey and Dropfie, with all Joynt pains, Purging the Blood, and Sweetning the Salt and Tarsarous Humour, that makes your Skin Deformed.

He maketh and Sells the true *Elixir Salutis*, which Cures the Scurvey, Gout, Prick, Chollick, Gripes, Spleen, Fits in young or old, the Stone, Gravel, Dropfie, Green-Sickness, Surfeits, Consumptions, Worms, Rickets and Convulsions.

The half Pint Bottle is 2s. 6d.

He is to be spoken with from 8 in the Morning till 6 at Night.

*The Freeman's OATH of the Hamborough-
COMPANY.*

YOU Swear by the Almighty God to be good and true to our Sovereign Lord the King, and to his Heirs and Successors; you shall be Obedient and Assistant to Mr. Governour or his Deputy, and Assistants of Merchants Adventurers, in the Parts of *Holland, Zealand, Brabant, Flanders*, and within the Town and Marthes of *Calais*, as also in *East-friesland*, or any other Country or Place on this and that side the Seas, where the Company are and shall be priviledged. All Statutes and Ordinances not repealed which have been made or shall be made by the said Governour, or his Deputy and Fellowship, you shall to your best knowledge, truly hold and keep, having no singular regard to your self in hurt and prejudice of the Common-weal of the said Fellowship; Or else being Condemned and orderly demanded, shall truly from time to time, Content and pay unto the Treasurers for the time being, all and every such Mulcts and Penalties, which have or shall be limited, and set for the Transgressors and Offenders of the same, the Secrets and Privities of the aforesaid Fellowship, you shall heal and not bewray. And if you shall know any manner of Person or Persons, which intend any hurt, harm or prejudice to our Sovereign Lord the King, or unto his Lands, or to the Fellowship aforesaid, or Priviledges of the same, you shall give knowledge thereof, and do it to be known to the said Governour or his Deputy: And you shall not colour or free any Foreigners Goods, which is not Free of this Fellowship of Merchant Adventurers of *England*.

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REASONS Humbly Offered, why the Importation of Foreign-wrought Figured, Flowered, Biassed, Stitched and Stripe Silks and Drugets, Tameenes and Estimenes, and other Stuffs made of Wool, should be prohibited.

THe Trade of *Weaving* is of great Antiquity and Usefulness, and for these Forty Years past, hath exceedingly Improved, and been very advantageous to this Nation, the Woollen Manufactures Wrought in *England*, being Exported to *Turky, Italy, &c.* have been chiefly paid for with Raw Silks and Hair, greatly beneficial to His Majesty in His Customs, to the encouragement of Navigation, and to the employing of very great numbers of *English*, there having been employed at one time in the City of *London*, and Parts adjacent, in and about the Weaving the said Silk and Hair, at least One Hundred Thousand Persons, old and young, besides very great numbers at *Canterbury, Manchester, Exeter, Norwich*, and other Places.

That the *English* have arrived to very great Skill and Experience in the Weaving all manner of Silks and Stuffs, and having duly paid and answered the Customs for the Raw Silks, Hair, and other Commodities used in the Dying thereof, and working and providing (at the dead time of the year) great quantities of well-contrived, and workman-like Broad and Narrow Commodities, as well Plain as Fashionable, Figured and Flowered, expecting to Sell the same at other times, are disappointed by the frequent Importation of Foreign-wrought Commodities of Silk and Wool, especially from *France*, most of which (by small Sloops or Shallops) are privately conveyed hither without paying Custom, it being very obvious and plain, that not one Peece in twenty are Entred or Paid for, to the great Deceit of His Majesty. And however slight, defective, and old-fashioned the said Foreign Goods are, yet being here, and term'd *A la mode de France*, are greatly used, to the Deceit also of the Subject; whereby the *English* Artifts, having little or no Vent for their Commodities, have no encouragement to Ingenuity, and many hundreds of *Weavers*, as well at *London, Canterbury, Norwich*, and other Places, have through these discouragements, especially for these last six years, been ruined, and enforced to desist from their Callings, and many of them betaken to Porteridge, and other servile Employments, and great numbers of Persons, old and young, by them formerly set to Work, are now (for want thereof) become burthenome and chargeable to their respective Parishes; and without speedy remedy, the Art of *Weaving* will be here totally lost, to the great Dishonour of this Kingdom.

That hereby also a great number of *English Merchants*, Trading to *Turky* and *Italy* for Raw Silks and Hair as aforesaid, are greatly discouraged by the small Vent for the same, and consequently the Vent for the Woollen Manufactures is and will be exceedingly lessened, to the great Damage of His Majesty in His Customs, and the whole Kingdom in general.

That the *Mercers*, Trading in Silks and Stuffs, are also greatly damnified; for that, although they usually venture upon small quantities of the *English* Woven Goods, sometimes but for one Garment which they Cut out of the *Weavers* Loom, because of the alteration of Fashions, yet will not the *French Merchants* sell the *Mercer* less than several Peeces of great lengths, and at high Rates, and before he can have Vent for one half, the said *Merchants* immediately bring in other Fashions, so that either some whole Peeces, or many Remnants, remain upon the *Mercer's* Hands, to his greater Loss than the Profit of the former will enable him to bear.

That it hath been truly computed, that the *English* pay yearly for the Manufacturing of *French*-Woven Silks, (besides Stuffs) which might be Wrought by Handicrafts in *England*, and which are generally paid for with Monies, not with other Commodities, the Sum of Five Hundred Five Thousand One Hundred and Ten Pounds: So that allowing to every Person, working in Silk, Fifteen Pounds per Annum, (which is the most, one with another, they do or can earn) it would employ Thirty Three Thousand Six Hundred Seventy Four Men, Women and Children, which number, were they here employed, would be considerably advantageous to this Kingdom. And from hence it is evident, That the *English* do maintain the *French* Kings Subjects at Work, whilst the Natives here are ready to starve and perish through want thereof.

That all these Inconveniences to Trade, and Damage to the Kingdom, doth ensue by the Craft and Subtilty of a few *French Merchants* in *London*, about seven or eight in number, who to enrich themselves, care not how many thousands of the *English* (especially the poor Handicrafts) are ruined.

That the *Weavers*, in and about *London*, have been lately required by His Majesty and Council, to receive and employ Aliens and Strangers, *Weavers*, which they readily submitted unto, in confidence, that then Foreign Work would be discouraged, for that Foreign Work and Workmen coming together, will certainly ruin the *English* Artifts; and if Work be brought, there can be no encouragement for Foreign Workmen to come, and many Strangers repairing hither of late, through want of Employment in the *Weavers* Trade, have returned back again: And were there Employment sufficient (which can never be but by discouragement of these *French* Silks and Stuffs) the *Weavers* will willingly and chearfully imbrace as many Strangers in the *Weaving* Trade, as shall by Authority be thought fit to be allowed here to reside.

That the *French* King, because His Subjects have gained some little Experience in the Weaving of Silk Stockings, hath lately prohibited the Sale of *English* Stockings in His Countries, whereby that Trade is like to be lost.

Now, inasmuch as the *Weavers* desire not to discourage the Importation or Use of such Silks as are not Wrought and Manufactured here, they hope they shall receive all due encouragement in such as they do or can Make, and which from the Reasons aforesaid will so greatly tend to the Advantage and Honour of this Kingdom: And therefore humbly Pray, That the Importation of all Foreign-wrought Figured, Flowered, Biassed, Stitched, and Stripe Silks and Drugets, Tameenes and Estimenes, and other Stuffs made of Wool, may be prohibited amongst other Commodities prohibited by the Bill of Imposition now under Consideration.

TO THE
QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty.

The Humble

K. London. - 11 September

A D D R E S S

OF

The LORD-MAYOR, ALDERMEN and COMMONS of the CITY of LONDON, in Common-Council assembled.

DREAD SOVEREIGN!

THE Daring and Insolent Attacks that have been Publicly made on Our most Happy Constitution (of which Your MAJESTY's Royal Prerogative is so Essential a Part) by infusing *Republican Notions* into the Minds of Your Subjects, by Printing and Publishing Seditious and Scandalous Books and Pamphlets, have justly awaken'd Us, Your MAJESTY's Most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, to a serious Consideration of the Fatal Consequences of such Doctrines, to Your MAJESTY's Most Sacred Person, and to the Protestant Succession as by Law Establish'd, being destructive of Monarchy it self.

WE therefore most humbly crave Leave, to Declare our Hearty Detestation of all *Anti-Monarchical Principles*; and to assure Your MAJESTY of our Steady and Unshaken Loyalty to Your Person and Government, supported by Your Just and Legal Prerogative; of our Hearty Zeal for the Preservation of the Church of *England*, founded on the Doctrines and Practices of the Apostles and Primitive Christians, with a tender Regard to all Persons of Consciences truly Scrupulous; of Our firm Resolution of Maintaining the Protestant Succession, as by Law Establish'd, in the Illustrious House of *Hannover*, as the only Means to Perpetuate the Great Blessings We enjoy under Your most Auspicious Reign.

AND in Obedience to Your Royal Commands, We will use Our utmost Care and Diligence, to Prevent and Suppress all Riotous and Tumultuous Assemblies, and with undaunted Vigour (to the last) Oppose all Persons, both at Home and Abroad, who shall attempt to disturb the Peace of Your Glorious Reign, or the Serenity of Your Royal Mind.

A Most Wonderful
PROPHESE,
 Taken out of
 PUGH's Collection of PROPHESES
 O N
GREAT BRITAIN:
 And Mentioned In
Heraclitus Ricens,
 Numb. 27. with Allowance.

1. **K** *Koronog Fabau*, in his middle Age will run furious upon his Enemy; and in his later Days will be a King.
2. *Koronog Fabau* will wonderfully betake himself to a strange Land to avoid a Storm; he shall loose in *England* Lordships and Greatness, and yet he shall be a King before his later Days.
3. *Koronog Fabau* in his Youth will loose a Crown due unto him; but in his Old-age will be a Man of Might and Greatness, and Kill with an Axe, and Conquer Crowns; and bring *Great-Britain* Honor.
4. *Koronog Fabau* will prepare a Navy, which will be hurtful to his Enemies, and it will not avail them to fly from him.
5. *Koronog Fabau* will be advanced to Immense Honors in the Territories of *Rome*, he will make a Purchase; and his Enemies will fall into misery. After the Year 1691. He will take Vengeance of a Great City for their Contempt, Treachery, and merciless Cruelty; And when he becomes aged, through the assistance of Almighty God, will procure Justice and Equity to his own Friends, although at present but of small account.
6. *Koronog Fabau* will be mighty Powerful in his later Days, though in *England* slighted for a time. He shall escape the Stratagems Plotted against him by a Race of Wicked Men. He will convey private Messages to the Governours of Castles and Carisons; then shall Banners be set up, at the Terror of which Sight, Lamentation and Woe shall befall his Enemies.
7. *Koronog Fabau* shall be called the Best of Kings, and shall overcome his Opposers: And will take (or support) the Sign of the Holy and Blessed Cross.

Joseph Brocke, Appellant.

{ Sarah Cutler, Executrix of } Respondent.
{ Francis Cutler Deceased. }

T H E
C A S E
O F T H E
A P P E L L A N T,

*Humbly Presented to the Consideration of the Lords Spiritual
and Temporal in Parliament Assembled.*

F*Francis Cutler* being Entitled to a Debt of 100 *l.* by Bond entred into by *Thomas and John Barney*, long since deceased, which he had a long time esteemed desperate, and the Appellant *Brocke*, having a Statute acknowledged by one *Bowman* for 100 *l.* which was esteemed doubtful; *Cutler* and the Appellant agreed to exchange the said Debts, which was done by *Cutler's* giving the Appellant the Bond, and the Appellant's giving *Cutler* the Statutes, and Suits were begun on the said Bond and Statute for obtaining the said Debts.

The Appellant by great Industry, Trouble and Expences in Law, and otherwise was in a probable way of obtaining the Debt on *Barney's* Bond, but there was not the like Probability of Success on the Statute, of which *Cutler* complaining, the Appellant and *Cutler* came to a new Agreement, That out of the Moneys that should be Recovered on the Bond, all the Charges expended, as well concerning the Bond as the Statute should be paid, and the remaining Moneys, as also what should be recovered on the Statute should be divided equally between him and *Cutler*, as the same should be Recovered.

After which, there was received of Mr. *Wyndham*, (whose Wife was Executrix of *John Barney*) for principal Interest and Charges, by Agreement of the Appellant and *Cutler*, the Sum of 120 *l.* which was all received by *Cutler*, he being the Person who could give a Legal Discharge for the same; but upon Trust and Agreement, that the Appellant should have the Moiety after Charges deducted.

Cutler out of the 120 *l.* paid to the Appellant 52 *l.* 15 *s.* at two Payments, being the Charges the Appellant had laid out on the Bond, and what he had laid out at the Request of *Cutler* concerning the Statute.

And *Cutler* having got the 67 *l.* 5 *s.* remainder of the 120 *l.* delayed to divide it, and afterwards refused to let the said Appellant have his half of it.

Thereupon the Appellant exhibited his Bill in Chancery against *Cutler*, but he refused to answer, and died while he stood in Contempt: And the Suit being revived against the Respondent his Executrix, altho the Appellant fully proved both Agreements with *Cutler*, and the Execution thereof, by the Exchanges of the Bond and Statute. And that the Money on the Bond was received by the Diligence and Care of the Appellant, to his very great Prejudice in his Trade of a Mercer, which he thereby much neglected: Yet the Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal on the hearing the said Cause on the Second of *May* last, without any manner of Proof on the Respondent's Part dismissed the Appellant's Bill, and ordered him to pay Costs which are since Taxed at 44 *l.* 7 *s.* 3 *d.*

And it is humbly Conceived, that the said Dismission ought not to have been, but that the said Respondent ought to have been Decreed to have paid to the said Appellant one Moiety of the said 67 *l.* 5 *s.* which it is humbly hoped she will be compelled to do by this most Honourable House.

*For which Purpose the Appellant has humbly Appealed from the said Dismission
made by the said Court of Chancery to this most Honourable House.*

To be read & transcribed 20th July

For the
Respondent.

T H E
A B S T R A C T
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Richard Reed the Younger, Esquire, Respondent to the Appeal of *Walter Williams* Esq;
and *Elizabeth* his Wife Appealants.

John Reed Esquire, seised of the Meadows in question of the then value of 100 l. *per annum*, demiseth them to *Katharine Reed* his Sister for 99 years, and after conveys the Inheritance thereof to *Edward Reed* his Brother.

Katharine gave this Lease by her Will to *Richard Reed* the Elder (after some Legacies for lives which are all dead) in trust for the GENERAL HEIR, which GENERAL HEIR falls out to be *William Reed*, Son to *Elinor Reed*, Daughter to the said *John Reed*, which *Elinor* was the Wife of *Richard Reed* the Younger.

This Lease is questioned by *Edward Reed* as a Mortgage for 1000 l. and Anno 1639. is Decreed to be a Mortgage.

Richard Reed the Younger, to preserve this Lease to his Family, buyes in this Decree for 250 l. and so quiets the Estate.

Richard Reed the Elder, in pursuance of the Will of *Katharine*, assigns the Lease in Trust for *William* the GENERAL HEIR, *William* the GENERAL HEIR, assigns his Interest to

Edward Reed, assigns the Decree in trust for

The Respondent *Richard Reed* the Younger, who hath now both Interests, the Legal from *Richard Reed* the Elder, and the Equitable from *Edward Reed*.

William after the Assignment Marries the Petitioner *Elizabeth*, (who brought in Portion 1500 l. in Hand, and 500 l. to be paid in 5 years, and had in Joynture, which she enjoys 250 l. *per annum*) makes the Petitioner *Elizabeth* Executrix, and dies without Issue.

The Petitioner *Elizabeth*, not content with her Joynture of 250 l. *per annum*, claims an Interest in this Lease.

Thereupon arose cross Suits in Chancery, and it was Decreed by the late Lord Chancellor *Nottingham*, that the Assignment of *William* to the Respondent was good, and that the Petitioners should release.

Which Decree upon a Re-hearing was confirmed, and the Petitioners do accordingly release.

Notwithstanding all which the Petitioners do Appeal against the said Decree of 1639. made by the Lord Keeper *Coventry* (46 years since) as unjust, and against the second Decree made by the late Lord Chancellor, (not as unjust, but as made in pursuance of the former Decree, as it was not) and against their own Act and Deed, and against the Act and Deed of *William* her Husband, by which he hath barr'd himself and his Executors from having any Appeal.

Katharine & gave in to the Court to be answered in the same manner as before.

The above said Decree is now being answered in the same manner as before.

Mr. *Brocke's* CASE
APPELLANT.

Mrs. *Cutler* Respondent.

To be Heard *January 10th.* 1693.

Before the Lords

Spiritual and Temporal

IN

PARLIAMENT.

The Abstract

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Sir CHARLES HOLT's CASE.

1664. **A** Mortgage of 700*l.* *per Annum*, is made by Sir Robert Holt to Mr. Fountaine, and also a Recognizance of 8000*l.* is assign'd to him for securing 5000*l.* lent in Mr. Fountaine's Name, in Trust for Mr. John Coke, since deceased.

Mr. Fountaine, who pretended a Gift of this Money, from Mr. John Coke, after ten Years Suit with Mr. Coke's Executors, and several Hearings, is decreed to transfer the Securities to Mr. Coke's Executors; and these Executors have been since adjudg'd to be Executors in Trust for Edward Coke Esq; an Infant, who in Trinity-Term 1693, obtain'd another Decree against Sir Charles Holt for this Money, and all Interest since the Loan of it, and for Non-payment to hold the Mortgag'd Estate discharg'd of all Equity of Redemption. About 2800*l.* has been paid for Interest, and receiv'd out of the Profits of the Mortgag'd Estate: 3000*l.* more paid into the Court of Exchequer, and 1000*l.* more paid lately to Mr. Edward Coke's Guardian in Obedience to the last Decree.

Mr. Fountaine, who has the Estate in Law, and the Securities in his Hands, and is the only Person capable to reconvey the Estate, refuses to reconvey it, or to deliver up the Securities, and hath stood out all Process of Contempt for eleven Years.

Sir Charles Holt always has been, and still is desirous, and ready to pay what remains due, if he may have his Estate, and is not capable of raising the Money otherwise.

It is contrary to all Justice and Equity, that Sir Charles Holt, who has been forc'd to pay the greatest part of the Debt, and is ready to pay the Residue, should lose an Estate of 700*l.* *per Annum*, and have the rest of his Estate subject to a Recognizance.

The Cause has pass'd the ordinary Judicature of the Nation, and that cannot divest the Estate out of Mr. Fountaine, nor restore it to Sir Charles Holt: and unless there be some Remedy by Act of Parliament, Sir Charles Holt must lose his Estate, tho he would pay his Debt; which Case it is humbly hop'd may deserve (if any Case can) the Relief of an Act.



Advertisement, For the Disposal of Fine Lace, and Flat Point, To the Value of 900 l. Consisting of all Breadths whatsoever.

WHEREAS Mr. Jonathan Fawcener (a Whole-sale-dealer in Fine Bone-Lace and Points, as above) did leave at the time of his Death (the latter end of the last Month) a considerable quantity of the same: Now it is proposed by his Executrix and her Assistants, to dispose of the said Goods on the Considerations following, (*Viz.*)

At Mrs. Mary Fawcener's House over against the Conduit in Aldermanbury, will be delivered out 7200 Tickets at 2 s. 6 d. each; and there shall be also 7200 Blank Tickets prepared, 201 whereof shall be made Prizes, and upon each Benefit Ticket shall be entered the Value of Goods designed for that Ticket, and the Parcel or Lot to be of the same Number with the Tickets.

The Benefit Tickets are as follows:

No.	Li.
1 —————	40
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2 of 20 l. each	40
4 of 15 —————	60
8 of 10 —————	80
20 of 7 —————	140
40 of 5 —————	200
40 of 3 —————	120
85 of 2 —————	170
201	880
The first drawn Ticket	10
The last drawn Ticket	10

Note, The First Ticket drawn shall have 10 l. Prize if not Benefited, but if Benefited 10 l. besides the Benefit.

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Note, That all the Benefited Tickets are orderly numbred, beginning with 1, and ending at 201 inclusive, thus: The two first being single Lots, are numbred 1, 2; the next being two Lots, are numbred 3, 4; and so the next being four, are numbred 5, 6, 7, 8; and the next being eight, are numbred 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16; and so on successively, still continuing the number of Lots where the other ends, to 201 inclusive, as before; beside the first drawn Ticket, its Lot N. A, and last drawn Ticket, its Lot N. B; that every one may know their own particular Lot.

Observe, For the encouragement of Adventurers, that all these Fine Laces and Flat Points before-mentioned, shall be put up in such Lots or Parcels, as shall be fit for any Shopkeeper to Retail them, or for any other Person to make up as they shall think fit; and they shall be put up at the first cost they were lately bought for by the Deceased, Mr. Jonathan Fawcener, the necessary Charges in the disposal of them (as is always usual in such Cases) only excepted; there being no other end or design in their Undertaking (which shall be but once) but the quick disposal of the said Goods.

And for the greater satisfaction of all that the Goods are so put up at the prime cost, there has been an Account taken of them (in the presence of Mr. Benjamin Hill, at the Angel in the Poultry) by Mr. David Abbot, and Mr. Richard Lucas Lacemen, at the Sarazens-Head in Friday-Street; which two latter very well knew the Deceased, Mr. Jonathan Fawcener's Mark, inasmuch as here can't be any fraudulent dealing, but you will have every thing at the first hand: And the aforesaid Lacemen will be careful to see the same Goods put up in Lots or Parcels Proportionable to each respective Ticket.

These Persons following (not interposed in this matter) do offer to be security for the Just and Regular performance of these Proposals; and do likewise promise, that Three or more of them will be present, to see the same rightly managed, (*Viz.*) Mr. Hill, Mrs. Abbot, Mr. Ashfield, Mr. Rose, Mr. Ambrous and Mr. Burford.

It is hoped that the whole Number of Tickets may be completed by the Twentieth of March next; but if sooner, publick Notice shall be given in the Gazette, the time when, and place where the Tickets shall be drawn.

At the Late Mr. Jonathan Fawcener's House in Aldermanbury, over against the Conduit, the Goods may be seen by any Person till the time of their disposal.

Note, That all Persons that are the Buyers of the aforesaid Goods, are desired to send for them away in six days after the Drawing of the Lots, and to bring or send their Tickets signed by either of the Persons following; which will warrant the Delivery of them.

Tickets may be had at these Places following, *Viz.*

MR. Ashfield at the Bell a Grocer in Bedford-street, in Covent-garden, Mr. Rose Sword-Curler at the Sign of the two Eagles in Ludgate-street, Mr. Ambrous at the Pestle and Mortar in Panton-street near Leicester-Fields, Mr. Burford Apothecary at the Sun in Leaden-Hall-street. And at her own House over against the Conduit in Aldermanbury.

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Note, The Last Ticket drawn shall have 10 l. Prize but if Benefited 10 l. Prize besides the Benefit.

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Note, That all the Benefited Tickets are orderly numbered, beginning with 1, and ending at 201 inclusive, thus: The two first being single Lots, are numbered 1, 2; the next being two Lots, are numbered 3, 4; and so the next being four, are numbered 5, 6, 7, 8; and the next being eight, are numbered 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16; and so on successively, still continuing the number of Lots where the other ends; to 201 inclusive, as before; beside the first drawn Ticket, its Lot N. A, and last drawn Ticket, its Lot N. B; that every one may know their own particular Lot.

Observe, For the encouragement of Adventurers, that all these Fine Laces and Flat Points before-mentioned, shall be put up in such Lots or Parcels, as shall be fit for any Shopkeeper to Retail them, or for any other Person to make up as they shall think fit; and they shall be put up at the first cost they were lately bought for by the Deceased, Mr. Jonathan Fawcener, the necessary Charges in the disposal of them (as is always usual in such Cases) only excepted; there being no other end or design in their Undertaking (which shall be but once) but the quick disposal of the said Goods.

And for the greater satisfaction of all that the Goods are so put up at the prime cost, there has been an Account taken of them (in the presence of Mr. Benjamin Hill, at the Angel in the Poultry) by Mr. David Abbot, and Mr. Richard Lucas Lacemen, at the Sarazens-Head in Friday-Street; which two latter very well knew the Deceased, Mr. Jonathan Fawcener's Mark, inasmuch as here can't be any fraudulent dealing, but you will have every thing at the first hand: And the aforesaid Lacemen will be careful to see the same Goods put up in Lots or Parcels Proportionable to each respective Ticket.

These Persons following (not interested in this matter) do offer to be security for the Just and Regular performance of these Proposals; and do likewise promise, that Three or more of them will be present, to see the same rightly managed, (*Viz.*) Mr. Hill, Mrs. Abbot, Mr. Ashfield, Mr. Rose, Mr. Ambrows and Mr. Burford.

It is hoped that the whole Number of Tickets may be completed by the Twentyeth of March next; but if sooner, publick Notice shall be given in the Gazette, the time when, and place where the Tickets shall be drawn.

At the Late Mr. Jonathan Fawcener's House in Aldermanbury, over against the Conduit, the Goods may be seen by any Person till the time of their disposal.

Note, That all Persons that are the Buyers of the aforesaid Goods, are desired to send for them away in six days after the Drawing of the Lots, and to bring or send their Tickets signed by either of the Persons following; which will warrant the Delivery of them.

Tickets may be had at these Places following, *Viz.*

MR. Ashfield at the Bell a Grocer in Bedford-street, in Covent-garden, Mr. Rose Sword-Cutler at the Sign of the two Eagles in Ludgate-street, Mr. Ambrows at the Pestle and Mortar in Panton-street near Leicester-Fields, Mr. Burford Apothecary at the Sun in Leaden-Hall-street. And at her own House over against the Conduit in Aldermanbury.

THE
ABSTRACT
OF
Sir Charles Holt's Case.

A LIST of the Names

OF ALL THE

Partners in the Lead Mines of *Bwlchyr Eskir Hir*, in the County of *Cardigan*, the Tenth day of December, 1694. whereof those Markt with a * are not capable (by their Number of Shares) to be chosen Committees.

B.
T *Thomas Barneby*, Gent.
Sir Charles Bickerstaff, Kt.
Philip Bickerstaff, Esq.
 * *Mrs. Jane Bickerstaff*, Spinf.
Mr. James Blake.
Mr. Robert Bloome.
The R. Hon. Pawlet, Earl of *Bollingbrook*.
 C.
The most Hon. the Lord Marquis of Carmarthen.
Mr. Richard Chauncy.
Mrs. Mary Cholmley, Wid.
 * *Mrs. Elizabeth Cholmley*, Spinf.
Mr. William Cokayne.
Hatton Compton, Esq.
 * *Richard Curtis*, Gent.
 D.
 * *The R. Hon. William Lord Digby*.
Mr. Paul Docminique.
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Sir Humphrey Edwin, Kt. and Ald.
Samuel Edwin, Esq.
 F.
 * *Henry Farmor*, Esq.
Mr. Anthony Forty
William Freeman, Esq.
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 * *Mr. Edward Grace*.
 * *Mr. Henry Grove*.
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Mr. Whitfield Hayter.
 * *Mr. John Hayword*.
 * *Mrs. Ann Hill*, Wid.
 * *Mr. Thomas Houghton*, Cl.
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Mr. Thomas Jerve.
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The R. Hon. James, Ld. Visct. Lansboro.

His Grace the Duke of Leeds.
George London, Esq.
 * *Mrs. Elizabeth Lloyd*, Wid.
 * *Mrs. Elizabeth Lloyd*, Spinf.
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John Meyricke, Gent.
Arthur Moore, Esq.
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Mr. Thomas Morrice.
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 * *Edward Nicholas*, Esq.
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Mr. John Oldbury.
 P.
Mrs. Bridget Peshal, Spinf.
Mr. Thomas Phipps.
William Powel, Esq.
 * *Sir John Price*, Bar.
Sir Carbery Pryse, Bar. Dec.
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Benjamin Rawlins, Gent.
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 * *Christopher Smith*, Gent.
 * *Mr. William Stubbs*.
Henry Simons, Esq.
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Mr. John Thrale.
Samuel Trotman, Esq.
Mr. Nathaniel Troughton.
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 * *James Waringe*, Gent.
Mr. Benjamin Weston.
Sir Paul Whitcor, Knt.
 * *John Wodehouse*, Esq.
Mr. John Wolley.
Sir Chrostopher Wren, Kt.
Mrs. Lucy Wroights, Spinf.

Memorandum, Ten Shares have but One Vote, and no less than Twenty Shares renders any Person capable of being Chosen of the COMMITTEES.

*The great Grievance of Traders and Shopkeepers, by the
Notorious Practice of Stealing their Goods out of their
Shops and Warehouses, by Persons commonly called Shop-
lifters; Humbly represented to the Consideration of the
Honourable House of Commons.*

K. England. - Parliament. - House of Commons. - Petitions, &c.

I. **T**HE Notoriousness and Increase of this Practice needs no other demonstration than the daily Experience of all the Shopkeepers within the Bills of Mortality; against which their strictest diligence cannot secure them, their Number, Craft, and Power, being jointly increas'd and combin'd, by which means they personate all degrees of Buyers, in all their respective Qualifications, having their several Societies and Walks, their Cabals, Receivers, Solicitors, and even their Bullies to rescue them if taken, as some late Instances shew; as well as their combin'd Purfes to defend themselves in their Villany, with their repeated Threats, if prosecuted: And carry on the same, as if they were a Body-Politick or Corporate.

II. Their Loss and Damage hereby sustained, by a moderate Computation, doth very much exceed in Value all other Robberies within this Kingdom; a late Shop-lift before her Execution confessed that she (in her Calling) had stolen to the Value of Twelve thousand Pounds; by which Practice many Shopkeepers have been insensibly ruined, and all much prejudiced by their Loss of Goods, Time, and Charge in Prosecutions; by the Expence of keeping more Servants for their Security, and sometimes by their falling as a Prey to their united Malice and Revenge, for adhering to prosecute.

III. The Cause of this notorious Practice arriving to such a degree, is humbly conceived to be as follows:

1. By the Ignorance or Negligence of the Prosecutor in the Forms of Proceeding, and the Difficulties, and Expence, and Attendance of the same, and that defended by all the Craft and Subtily of an united Body and Purse.

2. By the lightness of the Punishment; for if the Facts be not notorious, and the Goods secured, the Criminals escape with a *Bridewell*-Whipping, and soon return to their Trade, and this very often before they reach *Newgate*. But if convicted of Felony, burnt in the hand for the first Offence; and when indicted a second, third, or fourth time, escape with the same Punishment, by reason of the difficulty in proving the Record, they being usually indicted and convicted every time by several Names, so escape Death, and are sometimes burnt in the Hand six or seven times.

3. By compounding of Felonies when the Felon taken, and omitting Prosecution.

4. By the chief Receivers and Heads of this Body, and those who know their Walks and Gangs, restoring the Goods stolen, but at the Expence of more than half the Value, and Promises of not prosecuting, as was practised by the late City Marshal, and continues still by several that undertake to do the same.

Experience shews, that Burning and Whipping increases their Number, and ripens their Invention; so that few Offenders are taken; when taken, not One in Ten prosecuted; when prosecuted, not One in Ten but either is cleared by Whipping, or by Burning in the Hand; and if condemned, usually Transportation is granted, which is much to be feared hath not its intended Effect.

All which Grievances are humbly represented to the Consideration of this Honourable House, to redress in such manner as they in their Great Wisdom shall think fit.

The CASE of Traders , re-
lating to Shop-lifters , for the
Bill against House-breakers,
Shop-lifters, &c. now depend-
ing in the Honourable House
of Commons.



K. Eng. - Parl. - Bill II

REASONS

Humbly Offered for Passing of the BILL

bill read 27 March 1699.
For the Establishing and Re-gaining of the

FISHERY.

THE King in his most Gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliament, on the 9th of *November*, 1698. doth declare his Royal Inclinations for the Support of the Safety, Honour and Happiness of the Kingdom.

And in his most Gracious Speech upon the Disbanding of the Army, lays the Safety of the Nation before them, as a Duty incumbent on them to take Care of. And since the Army is disbanded, our Main Safety is our Shipping; This Security (is conjectur'd) was the Chief Reason of Disbanding the Land-Forces.

And being willing to add the least Mite for the Glory, Safety, and Defence of the Kingdom; being so good and great an Undertaking, do humbly prostrate my Thoughts to the Sage Consideration of this Honourable House, being the Representatives of the whole Kingdom.

It seems very strange to all *Europe*, especially those bordering on the Sea, That *England* should for so many Years last past, and still continue in the Neglect of the Preservation of the Main Foundation of the Realm, to wit, *A National-Fishery*, which would (rightly managed) be the *Palladium* of the Kingdom, and answer all that His Majesty asks in his most Gracious Speech of the 9th of *November*, 1698. — For upon a *National-Fishery* (under God) doth depend the Honour, Safety, and Strength of the Kingdom, the Flourishing of Trade, and Employing of the *Poor*, as more at large is made appear in a Book, Entituled, *A Vindication of a National-Fishery*, which is now in the *Press*, and will be speedily published.

As to the *Fishery*, it is the Universal Nursery for Seafaring-Men, which to a Royal Navy, are like rich Furniture in a Prince's Pallace. And want of Mariners in *England* has been too visible to us, and too well known to our Neighbours, by our turning them over from Ship to Ship, in the late War; and by our long Embargo's upon Merchant-Men, to the great Detriment of our Merchants, and a Loss to the King in his Customs; by not going their Voyages; and further, by the great Charge the Nation hath been put to for Impressing of Landmen, a parcel of Vagrants and Vagabonds, that have not Prowess to make them Soldiers, nor Genius to make them Mariners; and whilst they are in Harbour, eat up the Nations Provisions, and when they once come to be toss'd in a rowling Sea, are sick and infect the Seamen, and thousands of them die, to the great depopulation of the Kingdom, as can be attested by the Commanders, who are daily the Spectators of this Calamity in time of Action; and as may be seen by the Books in the Navy-Office, and a *National-Fishery* would prevent these Inconveniences for the future.

But losing the Nursery for the Seamen for want of Encouraging the *Fishery*, is not the only (though Chiefest) Loss that this Kingdom sustains.

For the Fish that is taken by Foreigners, hath been modestly computed at no less than Ten Millions Sterling *per Annum*, in the *British* Seas; as hath been

been asserted by Sir *Walter Raleigh*, Sir *John Bartolome*, and several other Authors, whose Works were never answer'd, and cannot be confuted.

And further, a *National Fishery*, will not only enrich the Kingdom, and employ the *Poor*; but it will put a Check to the growing Greatness of our Neighbours, and render us so formidable both by Sea and Land, that none durst oppose us. And I believe not any man can shew any other way to preserve the Glory and Grandeur of the Kingdom, and to provide for the *Poor*, but by Raising and Establishing the *Fishery*; 'tis a bold Expression, but a true Assertion.

For that Judicious and pious Patriot of our Country the late Lord Chief Justice *Hale*, did aver, that to provide for the *Poor* was an Act of great Civil Prudence and political Wisdom; For *Poverty* it self is apt to enasculate the Minds of Men, or at least makes men tumultuous and unquiet, where there are very many *Poor*, the Rich cannot long or safely continue; Such Necessity renders Men of Flegmatick and dull Natures, stupid, and indisciplinable; and Men of more Fiery and Active Constitutions, Rapacious and Desperate. For let the Laws be never so severe against Thieves or Felons, they will take bad Courses rather than starve; for they dread Hanging less than Starving, for Idleness is the Root of all Evil, and Necessity the Mother of Invention; for let the Judge ask the Criminals why they take those lewd Courses, they are Arraigned or Condemn'd for, the General Reply is Want; and the last Execution day, two of the Criminals that Suffered, did declare before they died, it was Want that enforced them to take those Courses (for which they suffered) to maintain their Wives and Children, because they could not see them starve.

And by passing the Bill for a *National-Fishery*, all the *Poor* of *England*, that are able to work, may be employed; by which Means, if the Effect is removed, the Cause ceaseth; for keep the *Poor* employed, and then their Minds are diverted another way. And many Thousand pounds a Year will be thereby saved, that is now paid for the Relief and Support of the *Poor*. And as this *Nation* flourisheth in Fishing, it will advance the Rents, and the Value of the Land.

☞ This *Nation* is infected with a Delusion, that we can never make those Advantages of the *Fishery* as our Neighbours do; But this, with Submission, is a Grand Error; and in due time our *English*, they had as good tell us, that we are not in our right Senses, either to believe them, or not to improve, encourage, and establish the *Fishery*.

For we can fish, cure, sell cheaper, and be at the Market sooner than they, as can be made appear before this Honourable House; or else we have been very much to blame, to instruct our Nation, both in Fishing and Curing, and a nearer Neighbour is now taking the same Measures to enrich themselves, and impoverish us, by settling *Fisheries* in all convenient coasting Towns, which makes the Blessing that God hath bestowed on this Island, their Improvement, and rendreth us a useless People, by not improving those Advantages, that Providence hath bless'd us withal; and in time may prove the giving the Sword out of our own Power, into the hands of our Neighbours, if not speedily prevented.

And since there is an incumbent Necessity, for the Defence and Security of the Kingdom, to have a Fleet at Sea, Summer and Winter; if they were employed in the protection of the *Fishery*, the World would see we did not only stand on our Guard, but were also getting of Treasure to enrich the Kingdom, and in a great measure, defray the Expence and Charge of the Men of War.

And if the *Fishery* is establish'd by Act of Parliament, the Author of this Paper can make it appear to this Honourable House, that he can propose Measures to save One hundred thousand pounds *per Annum* of the publick Revenue that is now paid: If he may have due Encouragement for so doing.



THE
HUE and CRY
AFTER
FATHER
PETERS.
By the Deserted
Roman Catholicks.

O Yes! O yes! O yes! Whereas an Ill-natur'd, False-hearted, Self-minded, Insinuating *JESUIT* has lately withdrawn from the *English-Court* (God knows whither!) These are to give Notice, That if any manner of Person, Man, Woman, or Child, *Christian or Pagan, Heretick or Recusant*, can give any Tidings of the said Father, (so that he be brought back Alive, to receive the just Rewards of his Covetousness and Pride) shall have a Thousand Pounds Reward. You will think a Thousand Pound a great Summ, and too great for us to perform, being now again Poor, and reduc'd to our former Exigencies: But alas! 'Tis nothing in respect of the purchase. Do but catch Him, you will find his Breeches well Lin'd, beyond what Nature sent him; this being hardly the hundredth part of what he has unjustly Purloyn'd here. If this will not encourage you, but you have more delight in the Pleasures of the Flesh, than in the Mammon of Unrighteousness, you shall have a Brace of his Cast-Misses, who now Starve for want of his Weekly Charity, which he receiv'd for the supply of the Poor, but more devoutly bestow'd it that way. If this will not do, we will give you an Absolution for all the Sins you shall commit; you, and all your Posterity, for a Thousand Years to come.

But that you may not mistake, either in the Person or Character, I will describe him, in his proper Colours, which are as changeable as his Allegiance.

This Father of Deceit; This greedy Miser, (contrary to the Principles of a good Christian, Lusting more after the Flesh, than after the Spirit; and yet more after the Mammon of Ungodliness, than after the Flesh) chang'd, like the *Camelion*,

to the prevailing Colours; and (like a Lobster stew'd in his own Sweat) turn'd, in a Moment, from Black to Red. And now, you will find the Holy Father of the *Word*, transform'd to a Bully of the *Sword*; the follower of *Jesus*, to an imitator of *Judas*; who betray'd his Lord and Master from the beginning, in the Disguise of a Saint.

This Impostor of his Holy Order, This Shame to his Profession, and Scandal to all *Roman Catholics*, (a Turn-coat to his Loyalty, as well as his Function) you will find him in the Habit of a Soldier; his black Gown converted into a scarlet Cloak; his Holy Vest into an Embroider'd Coat; and his Canonical Girdle into a glittering Fring'd Scarf; his precise Band into a Damme Crevat; his old Cordebac into a Beaver and Feather; His beads of Pearl into so many Pistols; and his Golden Crucifix into Guineys.

In this Heroick Equipage (they say) he is gone into *France*, with a Young Peer of *England* in his Company; making towards *Paris*, to see if he can make as good an Hand of it at the *Gallick Court* as in *England*.

Besides this Metamorphosis of Canonical Black, into Military Red, the *Word* into a *Sword*, and *Sable* Hart-band into a *Scarlet Feather* (which is now become the *Helmet* and *Breast Plate* of the *Militant Clergy*,) there are other many visible and particular Marks and Tokens, like *Cain*, put upon him by an *Eternal Stamp*, to distinguish him from all Mankind.

He is long Visag'd, lank black Hair of his own, (but now in a *Flaxen Perriwig*;) Tall and Slender, Fawning Looks, Flattering Smiles, a False Heart, deceitful Tongue, *Gorgon's Eyes*, who turns all things into senseless Stones, that behold him; and *Harpy's Claws*, that never yet let go any Prey he could get into his Talons. Very Loyal, but very Unstable; very Devout, but very Treacherous; and Covetous beyond the Roman *Domitian*. He is about the Age of Sixty; but as Wanton as at Thirty; More subject to Lust than Loyalty; and, like *Tarquin*, more subject to Lucre than either.

Would you go in Pursuit of this Prodigy in Nature, this Fomenter of all our Troubles, this Incendiary, who has kindled the Fire, and left us behind to put out the Flame; Expect not him now to find Napping in a Chair, nor with any formidable Equipage of Foot-men; neither as an *Embassadour*, that Enters a Town, and has for the Grandeur of his State, his Golden Chariots Guarded on every side: But rather search him in some secret Convent, amongst the Zealous Nuns, or amongst the Stews in *Paris*; for to his own Cloysters he dare not Return.

If such an one you find Booted and Spur'd, pull off his Boots, for fear of a Cloven Foot; for the Devil (they say in *France*) wares *Jacque Boots*, and Red Shalloons; and they are so like in Travelling, that should you mistake one for 't'other, we are in worse Pickle than before; not knowing which of the two has done the most Mischief: But, of the two, bring back the Father, who hath been the Author of all our Impending Troubles; that he may, by his sufferings, Atonement for the Mischiefs he has done, by delivering him over a just Sacrifice to the Fury of the People, and the Roaring of the *Bellick Lyon*. Thus deliver him into our Hands, and we will Engage to Pay you the Reward which (by so Meritorious an Act) you have most justly deserv'd.



A
L E T T E R
F R O M A
Gentleman in Flanders
T O A
L O R D in the P A R L I A M E N T.

NO Motives less forceable than the love of my Country, and your Service, could have prevailed upon me to have given you this Trouble. And first I shall acquaint you what News we have in this part of the World. The King of *France* has resolved to send with all Expedition Ten thousand Men into *Ireland*, and an Agreement made with the Turkish Privateers to have *Brest* and the Ports of *Ireland* for their Harbors; but what is most considerable, the new Pope has declared himself in Favour of the King of *England*, and a general Peace: The whole of this is probable, the first part certain.

Now all I beg from your Lordship is to lay aside all Passion, Dissatisfaction and Revenge, and give but Time to your ready Wit to think, What *England* was in *November* last; What it is now; and, What it is like to be.

In *November* last, we had a King who had an indubitable Right to the Crown, and Malice cannot deny him these Qualities; He is a Prince Frugal, Brave, and Merciful even to a Fault; A Kingdom wealthy, (for I heard it affirmed by knowing Bankers, That there was more Money in *London* than in *Amsterdam*, *Paris* and *Constantinople*) a Trade the greatest that ever our Kingdom had; a Revenue great, and raised only upon our Superfluities; with an Universal Peace with the whole World.

Now see what we are at present; we have an Usurper upon the Throne, engaged in a War with *France*, *Ireland*, and *Scotland*; our Trade ruined; our Revenue changed from Customs to Poll-Bills, and Land-Taxes; with the Addition of Free-Quarter, and that in Private Houses.

Now let us see what hopes we have of seeing *England* free from this Misery.

I remember a most excellent and true Maxime I learned from your Lordship, *That to alter the Succession of the Crown was to entail a War upon the Kingdom*. And the Truth of this we saw verified in the Wars betwixt *York* and *Lancaster*, and in our late Usurpations; and until the indubitable Heir of the Crown was restored, *England* still continued in a state of War, though the Usurper had then *France* to his Friend.

Is this the present state of *England*? Let every Landed and Trading Man consider then, that we are engaged in War; and War must be maintained, or Souldiers will maintain themselves, which is worse. But the great Query is, How all these Wars must be maintained? The Resolution is easie; they must be maintained by Land, or Trade: For Trade, that is already gone, and once lost is hardly retrieved; and the Customs which afforded a Million of Money the last Year, will the next hardly defray the Officers Salaries. For Land, it is already charged with Seventy thousand Pound *per Mensen*, which by a

tolerable Calculate is a Twentieth part of the clear yearly Revenue of the Kingdom; concurring to this 1 s. *per l.* upon all Land, there is another Twentieth part; and the like upon personal Estates: So that he who hath 600 *l.* a Year must allow a Hundred for meer Taxes. Were this all, it were supportable; but the Country-man must pay his Rent out of Wooll, Corn, and Cattle; Wooll which gave 8 *l.* a Stone, will not now give 4. Corn and Cattle sell at the same Rate proportionably; then the Farmer can pay but half Rent: So here 600 *l.* is reduced to 250. And I believe many would be glad to have well payed them 250 *l.* neat Money, for 600 *l.* a Year Land.

Another Consideration no less melancholy than this is, our Trade gone; this needs no Proof, every Man doth both see and feel it; and no Trade no Sea-men, no Sea-men no Navy, no Navy no Wooden Walls; and then our Island is more easily Conquered than if it were upon the Continent. And sure it is worth a Thought to think, What must become of all those Sea-men, Dray-men, Porters, and Forty other sort of Mechanick Trades, whose Livelihood and Subsistence depended upon Trade: They must and will live, and *Masaniello* like will take it without distinction from those that have it.

Nor can any reasonable Man imagine, that a King turn'd out of Three Kingdoms will leave any Stone unturn'd for his Restauration, but will rather come with Force as a Conqueror than not at all. And the thing will not look difficult to him that doth but consider how the Discontents increase in *England*; and as their Necessities grow, so will their Hatred to the Government, and accelerate their despair of ever seeing either Peace, or Plenty, without seeing their lawful King seated upon his Throne. Fresh and great Supplies are now press'd for, and that speedily; which though granted, can never be raised; for no Revenue can stand long when Money does not circulate: And it's now obvious to Men of the meanest capacity, that the Kingdom of great *Britain* can never be happy, until they see his Majesty in *White-hall*.

Now, my Lord, I beg for your own sake, the sake of your Country, and all that can be called Good, Pious and Just, to consider these weak Notions I have offered to you, and improve them by that excellent Wit, eloquent Tongue, and discerning Judgment, Gifts given you from Heaven; and if not employed to this good End, expect a Judgment for misapplying such Faculties. But boldly communicate your Thoughts both to Lords and Commons, that as they tender the happiness of Themselves, or Posterity, they restore his Majesty, who will deny nothing for their Good, and consistent with his own Security.

The Author, I think, you cannot guess at; but if you should, conceal him: For it's one that desires to live to serve you, and question not his Power of doing it.

F I N I S.

*This paper
was taken
amongst papers
of the Duke of Devon
and Earl of Devon*

A

Brief Narrative of the Proceedings of W. Pen.

K. Penn (William) Founder of Pennsylvania

AT the first Arrival of our Proprietor and Governour, we all waited upon him by way of Complement; he was pleas'd to express his Thanks and well liking of it, telling us withal, That it should be his chiefest Care and Endeavour to Redress all Grievances, to reconcile all Contending Parties, to secure every Man's Estate, to administer Justice impartially, without Favour or Affection, in relation to Opinions, and to make in the end every thing as even as his two Eyes; together with excellent Promises, and many Words.

Pursuant to an Order from the Court of *England*, he degraded the late Nominal Lieutenant Governour *Markham*, *David Lloyd* Clerk and Attorney-General, and one *Anthony Morris* Chief Justice of their Offices for Male-Administration. These Invaders of our Estates, Liberties and Properties, being removed from their High Places, we thought our selves in a fair way of enjoying our own with Freedom, Peace and Safety.

When Time came to elect for the Assembly and Council, the Truth and the Light of our Proprietor began to be visible, by making his personal Appearance at the place of Election; by his exhorting the People, above all things, to be sure of Electing none but such as were Friends to the Government lodged in him; by asserting that no Person was qualified either to Elect or be Elect'd that would swear, which is an ambiguous word, and by diminishing the number of Church-men, telling the Mobb, that they could not be above a Dozen or two at the most (tho at the same time there was near three hundred Votes for one of our Church-Wardens) by these and the like Insinuations, he procured Creatures of his own stamp and kidney to be Elect'd.

At the sitting of the Assembly, our Governour and Proprietor moved vehemently to have a very large Sum of Money (by way of Gift) for him; solemnly urging to the Members the Justice of the thing, since it had cost him near twenty thousand pounds in *England* to defend the Government (for their sakes) against the scurrilous Letters of the Malecontents in the Province. At length, after a long Debate and much Time spent, (by his cunning Insinuation) he prevailed so far upon the Assembly. as to have the Charter, which he had formerly granted, surrender'd unto him, and thereby became Absolute, without any Limitation or Restrainer; and upon many Prayers, Preachings and Expostulations (according to his way) an Impost was laid upon *Wine, Beer, &c.* for two years, amounting to something better than 1000 *l. per annum*, solely for his own private Use.

When the Assembly broke up, he declared it was his Mind, Will and Pleasure, to let some of the Church-men have a share with him in their Government, and accordingly, with many fair Intreaties, and smooth Endearments, he seduced three of our Vestry (with much Reluctancy) to accept of his Offer, and having given his *Dedimus Potestatem* unto the Secretary of the Province to swear them, according to Law; they were pack'd in his Commission amongst six strong *Paxonian Quakers*, one *Swede*, and a *Sweet Singer of Israel*, to serve as Justices for the City and County of *Philadelphia*.

But the Event plainly demonstrated the Design and Intrigue of making these three Men Justices; for at the Quarter-Sessions, the Court being opened, the first Person that was required to give his Evidence, demanded an Oath to be administred unto him, and not an Attest, that he might have the greater Tye and Obligation to speak Truth, especially since the Attest had been for some time so horribly abused in that Province: the Church-men replied to this Effect, That his Demand was just and reasonable, and that they did suppose themselves to be sworn and authorized to sit there, to the end that an Oath might be administred unto those who were no Quakers, and were willing to take one; but the six Quakers immediately put a stop to the Proceedings, declaring that they neither would nor could in Conscience sit in that Court where was Swearing, and therefore one Party must withdraw. The Necessity of Oaths was again urged to them, since now near two parts in three, throughout the Province, were no Quakers; and howsoever an Attest might be binding upon some Quakers, yet (by many sad Instances) it was very plain and obvious,

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That the Generality of them had little or no regard for what they spake when only Attested.

Moreover, that the Equity of the Cause required the same Liberty for Men of other Persuasions, besides Quakers, to give their Evidence according to their own Way and Profession, but nothing would do, nor no Arguments (tho never so rational) prevail, they were resolved that no Oath should be administered in the Province.

The Church-men, willing to condescend to any thing for Peace (with regard to their Oaths) proposed the TEST prescribed by Act of Parliament in *England* for Quakers, to be tender'd to them; but that was also rejected, because the Name of God was inserted, and therefore look'd upon as abominable as Book Oaths; besides their Argument extended so far as the Rejection of Acts of Parliament made in *England*, wherein the Plantations in *America* were not particularly specified; insisting upon their own Power to make Laws sufficient for Government here, and accordingly they had a Law in the Province empowering them to give Evidence, by promising to speak the Truth, without the Name of God.

Our Governour outwardly endeavoured to promote a Union and a Reconciling of this unhappy Difference; Remonstrating that from his Cradle no Misfortune grieved him so much as this Quarrel among his Ministers; and that for his part he had taken the Attest prescribed by Act of Parliament in *England*, and should be ready, upon occasion to take it again; and furthermore, urged to his own People, That they might sit upon the Bench whilst an Oath was given, and not be concerned with it; but the Quakers being obstinate, and deaf to his Charms, the Scene was presently changed, by making his personal Appearance in the Court, laying the whole Blame upon the Church-men, charging them with raising a Flame in the Province, inasmuch that he must be constrained to ride up and down the Countrey, and shew his Letters Patents, to satisfy the People of his Authority; and furthermore, charged them with Breach of Trust, for not leaving the Court privately, that his own People might manage their Affairs after their own way. After a long Harangue, of this Nature, he at length commands one *Edward Shippen* (Chief Justice and principal Stickler against Swearing) to pull the Commission out of his pocket, which he had before given him, and then, with a high and mighty Gesture, he suddenly declared, That he was a Palatinate, and therefore would exert his Authority; That his Commission should go no more a begging, but that they should know that his Power was far greater than any of the King's Governours in *America*; adding afterwards, That the King had given this Province to him and his People, that they might be free from Oaths, and if his Majesty should impose Oaths upon him and his People, he might charge him with the Breach of Faith.

In this new Commission the six Quakers, the Swede, and the Sweet Singer of *Israel* were continued, but the three Church-men were cast out. That this was a premeditated Design is plain, from the Commission given before-hand to the principal Opposer of Oaths and the Parliamentary Test. Besides, it's well known that Oaths have been all along administered in the same Court, and before the same Men, by other Justices qualified, ever since it has been a Government; and as for the Test, prescribed by Act of Parliament, it was always made use of, till of late, by the Quakers themselves.

The TRUTH and Substance of the Matter is this;

These three Men (being Men of Substance and Reputation in the Province) were designed, if they would have comply'd with their Frantick Humours, to be made Tools of, and under the Sanction of their Names to have acted as many Villainies as they have formerly done; but if not, to be spew'd out, as Persons not fit to carry on their Intrigues and Interest.

The Noble Principles of our Religion teach us not to resent such Affronts, but it grieves us at this time, that all the *Church of England Men* should be stigmatized with the grim and horrid Titles of Treacherous and Perfidious Fellows, Dissenters and Schismatics from the Establish'd Religion, which is *Quakerism*; Intruders and Invaders in the Province: and above all, that our Proprietor and Governour is resolved, and will be *Aut Caesar aut Nullus*.



An ANSWER to a late printed Paper, Intituled, *The Case of the Creditors of Sir Robert Vyner, who have complied with his Proposals.*

That Paper mentions Proposals made and Signed by the greater part of Sir Robert Vyner's Creditors, and that the performance thereof was hindered by the Obstinacy of some few of the Creditors, and that the Conforming Creditors were in hopes to have the benefit of a Bill which was passing, and so to oblige the rest; But the Dissenting Creditors had prevailed upon the Committee, to insert a Proviso, excluding Sir Robert Vyner's Concerns, and unless that Proviso was expunged, the Estate would be torn to pieces, and no equal Distribution could be made, and that 250 of Sir Robert Vyner's Creditors have Subscribed for above 60000 l. which is the greater part both of Number and Sum.

June The Proposals in 1684 were for taking 20 l. per Cent, and the whole Interest in Money and the remaining 80 l. per Cent by Assignments; and if the Debts were computed together, there will appear due at least 40 l. per Cent. for Interest on each Bond; so that the Creditors at that rate, must have 60 l. per Cent. in Money: But Sir Robert by his Will, and his Executor in his printed Proposals, Dated the 1st. Day of January, 1689. absolutely disagree from those Proposals, and mention paying but 30 l. per Cent. of the Principal only, which is but half so much in Money as those Proposals were; and by that it seems that those Proposals are now only made use of by the Executor to ensnare, and not to be performed. And it appears by the Management of the Affair, that the Executor is more concerned herein than the Subscribing Creditors.

If the major part of Sir Robert Vyner's Creditors have Subscribed? The other Creditors are not against their being satisfied accordingly, but they hope they shall not be thereby Concluded; and if they are but a few, the Executor may more easily comply with them; And Sir Robert and his Son being Dead, it is but reasonable that his Estate both Real and personal should be Discovered, (the Executor having hitherto not given in any Inventory, or answered any Bill in Chancery for Discovery thereof) and that the whole Estate should go to pay the just Debts, and not to enrich the Executor, or his Accomplices; nor to be Divided amongst several Relations, and Four Hospitals, according to Sir Robert's Will: And if those Creditors who have Signed those former Proposals, Exhibit a Bill in Chancery against the Executor, either that those Proposals should be void or performed, their business will be quickly ended without an Act of Parliament.

Several of Sir Robert Vyner's Creditors have Judgments, and some have extended several Lands and Tenements of Sir Robert's for their Debts, and Sir Robert in his Will hath Ordered that the Incumbrances should be first paid, and Sir Robert in his life-time did agree with several of the Creditors (who now prosecute) for paying them their whole money; and Mr. Edwards (a Creditor of Sir Robert's) had long since received his Debt out of Sir Robert's Estate, if the Law had not been perverted, and his Proceedings most unjustly and barbarously granted by a Privy Seal from the late King James to Richard Beauvry Esq; in trust for Sir Robert himself, contrary to all Law and Justice, (and Mr. Russel (another of Sir Robert Vyner's Creditors) had also long since received his Debt, if that Privy Seal had not prevented him; and after such hard Usage to have the Proviso expunged to oblige the Executor, and to injure real Creditors, is very unreasonable.

Sir Robert in his life-time always made Complaint of his Losses by the late King Charles the II., and his Executor revives the same Complaint, although there is no need; for Sir Robert (*Consideratis Considerandis*) was a great Gainer. Sir Robert began his Concerns with his late Majesty, in 1660 and Lent his late Majesty Money; and in the Year 1667. he had 14 Hundred Thousand pounds in his Majesty's Hands; and he had for the most part 12 per Cent. and never less than 10 per Cent. and Interest often cast up and made Principal; and after this rate, before the Exchequer was shut up; it will appear by the Accompts stated from time to time, that he was at least 2 Hundred Thousand pounds Gainer before the time of shutting up the Exchequer; and Sir Robert being fearful of a prosecution for his extorting Usury, did in September 1672 procure his Pardon for Usury.

The Exchequer was shut up in December 1671. and Sir Robert's Accompts were stated and made up to the 1st. of January 1676 (being 5 Years after) and Sir Robert had Privy Seals for Gratuities and Rewards, and for keeping Money in readiness, and such like Contrivances, inserted in that Accompt, which amount to above 100000 l. clear Gains, as will appear by that Accompt, which is now in the hands of Mr. Aldworth: And some of the Creditors did in Sir Robert Vyner's life-time, after they had perused that Accompt, Petition the then Lords of the Treasury for a Copy thereof, which the Lords were pleased to Grant, and it was Copied by Mr. Aldworth; But before the Creditors could obtain the Copy, Sir Robert got an Order privately to hinder the same.

That Accompt with the aforesaid Gains inserted, amounted to 416724 l. 13 s. 1 d. halfpenny: And Sir Robert in his life-time Assigned all that (except 60000 l. and the Interest thereof from Lady-Day 1683.) to his Creditors for full value, and took up his Bonds; so that he hath already assign'd Forty Thousand pounds more than he had in the Exchequer when the Exchequer was shut up; & now according to their own Paper, as many Creditors have Signed to take 80 l. per Cent by Assignments, to the value of 60000 l. which will almost clear the remainder; and Sir Robert was always more behind with his Creditors for Interest than the Exchequer was with him, whereby his Gains are clear without loss.

Whither (these things being Considered) Sir Robert Vyner's Concerns, ought not to be Excepted out of the Bankrupts Bill, is humbly offered.

FOR THE
ENCOURAGEMENT
OF THE

Woollen Manufacture

OF

ENGLAND.

WHEREAS, Till within few Years last past, there hath been a very great Consumption of *Wool* used in making of Set-work Cushions for Chairs, Couches, Carpets called Turkey-work made in *Yorkshire*; Great quantities of Cloth Serges, Perpetuanoes, Kerleys, Camblers, Norwich Chenys, Bays, Kidderminster prints, Says and Cottons, and all other Commodities of the Woollen Manufacture: As also many Bales of Silk wrought up into Fringes for Chairs, and divers bales of *Russia* Leather wrought up into Chairs, which is the product of our Cloth from *Turkey* and *Russia*, whereby many Thousand Families have been Employed and maintained. All which Manufactures have been generally laid aside and little made use of, to the ruine of many Families.

It is therefore Humbly Prayed that this Honourable House will according to their great Wisdom provide, That all Couches and Squobs under the value of four pounds, and all Chairs and Stools under the value of Twenty shillings a piece, (except such as are made of Leather) may not be Backt, Bottomed, Covered, Casd, or made with any thing but what is of the Woollen Manufacture or the Growth of England.

The CASE of Mr. WILLIAM COOKE, &c.

SIR *Edward Massey* being dead, a Writ issued for a new Election.

The said *William Cooke*, and Col. *Henry Norwood* stood in Competition April 19. 1675. Four indifferent Gentlemen were chosen, who by mutual Consent were to methodize and order the proceeding at the Election, which was to ensue the day following.

April 20th. 1675. Being the day of Election; the County Court was call'd, and the Writ ready, as also the agreement of the persons aforesaid, the appointed Managers of the Election, which Mr. *Cooke* submitted to; but Col. *Norwood*, and the elder Sheriff refused to conform to them, but proceeded in a disorderly manner to a Poll, which occasioned so great a confusion, that Sir *Robert Atkins*, and some other Gentlemen interposed; and then a more regular way of proceeding being agreed upon, that Mr. *Cooke* should Poll 5, and then Col. *Norwood* 5, and so to continue till one side should Poll out all their whole number; which continued till about 11 of the Clock, when Col. *Norwood* having no more ready to be Poll'd, intimation being given thereof to the said elder Sheriff, he abruptly rose, without making any Proclamation; and being followed by Col. *Norwood* and his Friends, remov'd into the Colledge Church-yard.

The Mayor, the younger Sheriff, Mr. *Cooke* and his party continuing in the Court, Poll'd on according to the agreement, till Mr. *Cooke* having Poll'd above 50 more than Col. *Norwood*: All then concluded the Election over, the rest of Mr. *Cooke's* Voices departed, and went about their own private concerns.

About 12. of the Clock, the elder Sheriff, and Col. *Norwood* return'd to the Court, and proceeded to Poll again, with a croud of people after him, and without regularity, Poll'd some who had no Voices, some who had been Poll'd before; At which, Mr. *Cooke* took exceptions on the place; But the elder Sheriff refused that he would adjourn to the Election-chamber, alledging, he was much tired and spent, and there he would hear all exceptions, and examine the List e're he clos'd it, and made his Return.

About 1 a Clock the Court adjourned to meet at the Election-chamber at 3, in order to the clearing the Poll.

According to the Sheriffs own appointment, Mr. *Cooke* and his friends met at the Election-chamber, where, after half an hours stay, the said Sheriff, and Col. *Norwood*, &c. came, where some of Mr. *Cooke's* Voices hearing Col. *Norwood* had Poll'd after they had left the Court, then crav'd the Poll, and were not admitted, though they had a right to Elect beyond all exceptions.

Mr. *Cooke* then offered several exceptions against Col. *Norwoods* Poll; but was positively refus'd by the said Sheriff (though that meeting was by his own appointment for that purpose,) saying; That he was resolv'd to Seal Col. *Norwoods* Indentures, and return him, and then let Mr. *Cooke* make his exceptions at his leaseure.

And in pursuance of that resolution, he made a Declaration of Col. *Norwoods* Election, and sealed the Indenture accordingly.

Though Mr. *Cooke* can make it appear, that several of his Voices were obtained by Threats and Menaces, several by Bribery, several twice, nay some thrice poll'd, and few such as paid to Church and Poor,

Beneath alhady willow near
Affairs parting Streams
As the Carlos of the sheep
with folded arms lay fast asleep
asleep with golden dreams
for working faculties suspended
what dreamy sleep, & day
we sit shod smile & sigh & then
thinking her much (good) Glendon was there

But at this sleeping lambs made
my wraith in silent joy
possessing all that can be thought
in forgotten once & happy thought
and swains came fishing by
no sager of such Rapturing bliss
awaked her with a kiss
saw the many rows of myrds unhappy
th. Glendon now thou art come to late



Roberts's **CASE** against Mellish, upon dismissal of
his Appeal, without entering upon the Merits of the Cause,
To be Humbly Presented to the Lords in Parliament.

IT being Decreed that *Roger Williams*, deceased, should pay one *Mellish* 282*l.* 14*s.* 5*d.* and 149*l.* Costs of Suit; whereas instead thereof, *Mellish* ought to have been Decreed to pay *Williams*, 481*l.* Upon Hearing of *Roberts's* Appeal from that Decree, *Mellish's* Council alledg'd the Decree Appeal'd from, was a Decree by Consent, and Consented to by *Mr. Williams*, Brother and Council for the said *Roger Williams*: whereupon the Appeal was dismissed without Hearing the Merits of the Cause. Afterwards, finding that *Mellish* by his Answer to the Appeal, had not insisted upon any such Consent. *Roberts's* Council thought it not practicable, to admit anything at the Hearing of an Appeal, in Barr to the Appeal that was not insisted on by the pleading Precedent to the Hearing, and therefore *inter alia*, *Roberts* prayed a Re-hearing upon the single point of Consent, or not Consent, which was ordered accordingly; yet notwithstanding what was then offer'd by *Williams's* Council, the Petition for the Re-hearing was dismiss'd, without entering into the merits of the Cause; and *Roberts* ordered to pay 200*l.* Cost, which he had since paid. Since which Rehearing, the proceedings upon the Appeal have been found, which is hop'd may make it evident there was no Consent to the Decree but an offer to Perform long after the Decree was made, to prevent going to Geol, which Proceedings are as followeth;

On the 17th of *January*, 1681, the Decree Appeal'd from was pronounc'd, at which time, and before the Hearing, the Court was made acquainted, that Sir *Robert Serje*, then Attorney General, and the said *Roger Williams's* Principal Council was absent; and therefore it was pray'd, that the Cause might be put off but for one day, which was denied.

In few days after, a Petition Signed by Council, for a Re-hearing, was presented to the Lord Chancellor, but Rejected as by Affidavit soon after Fil'd in *Chancery*, appears.

Afterwards, the 282*l.* 14*s.* 5*d.* Decreed, was demanded of *Roger Williams*, and he refused to pay it, and therefore was taken upon an Attachment, and after that he had appear'd upon the Attachment, it was refer'd to a Master in *Chancery* to examine, if the said *Roger Williams* were in Contempt; and on the 13th of *July* 1682, the Master reported him in Contempt.

After which, *Williams* took exceptions to that Report of the Contempt, for that amongst other irregularities, there were not 15 Days between the Takte and Return of the Attachment upon which *Williams* was taken; which Exceptions came to Hearing the 17th of *October* 1682. Yet the Court Over-rul'd the Exceptions, so that according to the course of the *Chancery*, the next Remove for *Williams* was to Goale, or Comply with the Court: Whereupon *Williams's* Council pray'd some time for payment of the Money Decreed, and offer'd to pay it within a Month after the Costs should be Tax'd. And on the same day, a Cause upon a Bill of the said *Roger Williams* against *Mellish*, praying a new Trial in a Cause wherein *Mellish*, obtain'd Judgment against *Williams* for 230*l.* upon a Verdict against all the Evidence in the Cause, came to be heard: and the Court being of Opinion it could grant no new Trial, dismiss'd the Bill, and *Mellish's* Council pressing for Costs, upon that dismissal, and urging, by way of aggravation, that *Williams* had stood in Contempt to the Decree: The Court Declared, That in regard the said *Williams's* Council had offer'd to pay the Money decreed, as aforesaid, he should pay no Costs upon the Dismissal, if the Money were paid according to the offer; and if the Money was paid within a short time after the time it was promis'd to be paid, and leave given that day it was paid, to bring in a Bill of Review; So that the said *Roger Williams* was brought under a necessity of going to Geol, or complying with the Court, before the offer of paying the Money Decreed, was made:

Upon all which, the said *Roberts* Humbly prays your Lordships just Consideration, whether such an Offer at such a time, ought to be a Barr to an Appeal.

An ABSTRACT of the Articles of Agreement between the Creditors of Sir Robert Vyner and Thomas Vyner Esq; his Executor.

It is agreed between the said Parties,

I. **T**HAT they shall use their best endeavours to obtain an Act of Parliament for vesting all the Estate of the said Sir Robert Vyner in the Trustees appointed by the Creditors, to enable the said Trustees to sell the same to the utmost Value, and to pay the Monies raised thereby to the said Creditors proportionably to their Debts; And to enable such of the Creditors as are Infants, or Trustees, or Executors, to receive the same and charges.

II. And that the said Thomas Vyner within six Weeks next after the passing of such Act of Parliament, shall discover; and within three Months after such Discovery, shall assign to the said Trustees on the behalf of the said Creditors, all the Estate Real and Personal of the said Sir Robert Vyner, **In Trust**, That the said Trustees shall with all convenient speed sell the same for the best Prices they can get, and out of the Money thereby raised, pay unto every of the said Creditors thirty pounds *per Cent.* of every hundred pounds of their respective principal Debts. And after the said thirty *per Cent.* paid to the said Creditors, the said Trustees shall pay seven thousand pounds to the said Thomas Vyner for his Care and Pains in the said Discovery and Assignment, and other Services which he is obliged from time to time to do the said Creditors, and his constant attendance on this Affair till it be finished.

III. And that after the said 30 *l. per Cent.* is paid to the said Creditors, and the said 7000 *l.* to the said Thomas Vyner, the said Trustees shall pay all the residue of the Money that can be raised out of the Estate of the said Sir Robert Vyner in the space of eighteen Months after the passing the said Act of Parliament, unto and amongst all the said Creditors of the said Sir Robert Vyner, (among whom the said Thomas Vyner is to be admitted as a Creditor for 3000 *l.*) in proportion according to every of their respective principal Debts, as often as the residue of the Money which shall be so raised, shall be sufficient to pay to every of the said Creditors the further Sum of five pounds *per Cent.*

IV. And that after the said eighteen Months, the said Trustees shall assign to the said respective Creditors such parts of the remainder of the Estate of the said Sir Robert Vyner as they shall elect, as shall be sufficient to satisfy their whole remaining Debts and Interest.

V. And the said Thomas Vyner doth Covenant, &c. That the whole Estate of the said Sir Robert, which he is to discover and assign to the said Trustees, shall be sufficient to pay and satisfy all the said Creditors, all their said respective Debts and Interest.

VI. And that if the said Thomas Vyner, or any Person by his direction, or with his privity shall conceal any part or parts of the Estate of the said Sir Robert Vyner, exceeding in the whole 500 *l.* that then the said Thomas Vyner shall lose and forfeit the said Sums of 7000 and 3000 *l.* and the same shall be divided among the said Creditors, proportionably to their Debts and Interest.

VII. And that if (after the Creditors have accepted Assignments on several Estates and Debts of the said Sir Robert, in satisfaction of all the Debts and Interest) any Estate of the said Sir Robert Vyner shall be discovered, which was not discovered or assigned by the said Thomas Vyner to the said Trustees; All or any of the said Creditors notwithstanding they have given Discharges, shall be at liberty to have their proportions of the said Estate after discovered towards satisfaction of so much of their Debts or Interest as they have not received in ready Money.

VIII. And it is provided, That if such Act of Parliament be not passed before the 17 of March; which shall be in the Year of our Lord 1691. That then these Articles of Agreement, and all Things therein contained shall be void and of none effect.

The Trustees Names,

Sir John Moore	}	Philip Brydall Esq;
Sir Thomas Meres		Mr. Arnold Squibb
Andrew Lant Esq;		Mr. Bernard Eales
Tho. Langham Esq;		Charles Bonython Esq;
John Creed Esq;		Joseph Hornby Esq;
Daniel Sheldon Esq;		Richard Morley Esq;

Dated the 17th day of
March, 1689.



Abstract of
Particulars of
the R. R. Co. & Co.
1871



*The CASE of the Company of VINTNERS,
and other Retaylors of Wines.*

THE Vintner or Retaylor cannot carry on his Trade without having two years Stock upon his Hands, for that few Persons will drink *French Wines* till it hath been Ten Months Imported.

The Stock now in the several Retaylors Hands is at least 30000 Tuns though less Imported this Year than in any one Year within this five Years, above two thirds whereof was Imported at least Twelve Months since before any thoughts of a War with *France*.

The whole Stock upon a moderate Computation does lye the Retaylors in Twelve Pence the Quart one with another, there being Four Pence a Quart paid to the King for his Duty.

The Retaylors Charge of Lees, Leakage, Cellerage, House-Rent, Servants Wages, &c. was ever look'd upon to be so great that he was always allowed to sell at a third penny more then the Wines cost him from the Merchant.

That should a Clause now be added to the Bill for prohibiting of *French Commodities* to enjoin the Retaylors to sell the Stock of Wines now in their Hands at Twelve Pence the Quart (the Price they cost) for the first Year, and afterwards at Six Pence the Quart (being half the price they cost) it will ruine and destroy many hundred Families who now do contribute considerably towards the support of the Government by paying of Taxes, Quartering of Soldiers, &c.

And if the Retaylors be ruined, the Kings Revenue will be extremely prejudiced, for all the Retaylors in *England* and *Wales* except the Free *Vintners* of *London*, do draw by License from the Crown at an Annual Rent, but will not be able to pay the same in Case they be constrained to sell their Goods for less than they cost, and so that part of the Revenue will be in great part lost.

All that is desired, is, That the Parliament would be pleased to Grant the Retaylors a Convenient time to dispose of their Stocks at a Moderate Gain, which they Humbly Conceive will no ways promote or advance the *French Interest*.

LETTER

Concerning the

COIN.

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OUR Silver Coin in *England* being so very bad, and growing every day worse, it is high time by Re-coining of it to recover it to its former goodness and value, which I hope to make appear is not so difficult a thing as some Persons believe it to be.

In the first place, as to *Guineas*, I humbly conceive the best way will be to settle them by Act of Parliament to pass Current at thirty Shillings for one year, from the date of the said Act to the last day of the next Session of Parliament: by which time, if the Silver Coin be settled, there will be better judging how to proceed further concerning them.

As to the Silver Mony, That it be Coined the same Weight and Goodness as formerly, but to be valued higher, as shall be thought fit; And that it may be declared in the Act for Coinage how much Plate persons of all Qualities shall keep in their Houses.

That the Large Mony (so that the Hundred Pounds weigh Twenty Five Pounds,) Together with all superfluous Plate be brought in at the day, and to such Places as the Commissioners for the Coinage shall appoint: the said Commissioners to be assisted by all the Commissioners, Assessors, and Collectors of the Land Tax, and all Civil Officers.

In order to which, that there be appointed, by the said Act for Coinage, Twelve Commissioners for the City of *London*, and the same number in each County in *England* and *Wales*, to manage the Affair of the Coinage in their respective Counties: of which Commissioners His Majesty to chuse Six, and the House of Commons Six for *London*, and each County.

That the Commissioners so appointed for *London*, and those for Twenty of the next adjoyning Counties to *London*, do chuse out one Person from amongst themselves to be of the Grand Committee for Coinage at *London*, to sit and manage that Affair at their Office in *London*.

That the said Commissioners, in their several Counties, shall receive the Plate and Mony, and send it to *London*, to the Grand Committee at their Office, to be Coined, and by them to be returned in Mony.

That

That the Money be brought in to be Received by Tale, to prevent such Persons getting who have laid up great Quantities of Large Money, and the los of others who shall at last have the smallest Money in their Hands: And the Plate to be received by Weight at an appointed Price.

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That the Grand Commisſioners of the Mint in London do give out their Orders to the Commiſſioners for Coinage in the ſeveral Counties, and receive from them the Money and Plate at their Office in London, and cauſe it to be melted into Ingots, and delivered to the Mint in the Tower; and when Coined to receive the Money, and pay the ſame to the ſeveral Agents for the ſaid Commiſſioners for Coinage in the County.

Goldsmiths-Hall in London will be a very good place for the Office of Treasury for this Affair, there being convenience for the said Grand Committee to sit; Rooms for the telling of the Money and weighing of the Plate: and firing and safe Rooms to secure it all in; and also in the Hall and adjacent places may be made good Melting-Rooms: It lies convenient for Carriers and others who shall bring the Money and Plate to London.

London. To be raised in
That there be a Tax laid upon the Money.
Three Years, to bear the Loss and Charge of Recoining the said Money.
The said Tax Money will be easily gathered and received by the said Commis-
sioners, for the Coinage in their several Counties. The said Commissioners
shall be Accountable to the Grand Committee at London, and they to Ac-
count to the Exchequer, and if there be any overplus of the said Money
to pay it into the Exchequer for Publick Use.

I shall be ready to Answer to such Objections as are made in Writing, if by Order, and shall add such other things as shall occur to my mind that may be of Use.

December 1695.
Tho. Woods, Refiner.

YOU can't but be sensible of the great Zeal I have for *King and Kingdom*, but more especially for the *Church of England*, it being the *Purest Religion* in the World, and most agreeable to the *Divine Nature*, and it was no less than *G O D Himself* that planted it by such a Miraculous Power, that it confounded the very *Angels*, changing *Humanity into Divinity*; and this could not be obtained without *Christ's* sacrificing himself to appease the Wrath of an *Angry God*, that through him *Mortals* might be capable of a *Divine Being*: Therefore all that intend to be saved by *Christ*, are obliged to yield obedience to his *Commands*: And therefore I would intreat you seriously to consider the *Mighty Occasion* that calls you hither (the like has not been known for these many *Ages*) and it God does not give you *Wisdom*, you will wound instead of curing, and hasten our *Ruin*; for I must needs tell you, that it is contrary to the Principles of your Religion, *To do Evil that Good may come in it*: But God may wink at this if you proceed no farther, because he knows that you are but Men, and that you had reason for what you did; yet if I had known of it, it should never have been done: for God is glorified by the *Faith and Patience* of his *Saints*, and it has been the Practice of *Christians* in all Ages to trust God, and to be willing to sacrifice their *Lives and Fortunes* for his *Truth*; and I must needs say, *My Lords*, that most of you have done so too: for if God had given the *King Victory*, in what a Condition would you have been, by running your selves into imminent danger, and disgracing your *Religion*, in not going the *Right Way*: But God suffered it to prosper, because the *Roman Catholics* should not attribute their *Victory* to the *Virgin Mary*. But this must not encourage your Lordships to make *Faults*, for if God overturn'd the *King* for not walking uprightly before him, how much more will he do the *Kingdom*, if that you should prove unkind or ungrateful to the *King*? Though I would not be like the *Ase* to afflict the *Lion*, and then be made a *Prey* of, nor yet the *Fox* that delights to see the *Lion* in trouble, but I would be like the good *Samaritan*, that heal'd the Wounds by pouring Oil and Wine into them. For I would have all Occasions of *Tears and Tears* to be removed on every side, which *His Majesty* might have done, if he had pleased; for I told him the *End* at the *Beginning*, but he would not believe; have a care that you are not *Unbelievers* too: for I never sought any thing but the *King and Kingdoms Happiness*; neither do I desire to have any greater glory in this World, than to have you safe and happy, which you all conclude will be in this *Way* which you have taken: but you will be deceived if you be not wise. Not that I would have you be ungrateful to the *Prince*, nor yet in *Slavery*; but as you are *Free-born*, you should keep your selves so: for it was his own Interest that brought him hither as well as yours, and it is but reason that he should have Right done in that *Matter*; for no body can condemn him for looking after the *Right* of his *Wife*: but all the World will highly condemn you to give, or he to receive, the *Right* of the *King*; and you must not think to go unpunished: for why should not God be as zealous for his *Laws*, as *Man* is for his; and to exclude you out of his *Kingdom*, as you do the *King* out of his. Besides I don't think the *Prince* has so much to say against the *King*, as the *People* suppose; but if there were, God can pardon them upon repentance and amendment; for he has declared, *That if your sin be as scarlet, he'll wash you as white as snow*. Therefore take not any thing away from the *King*, only free his *Kingdoms* from *Popery*, and let not that have any *Dominion*: And treat the *Prince* as a *Friend and Great Instrument* in assisting towards the Doing of this *Great Work*; and whatever God you receive by him, restore it ten-fold in assisting him with your *Loves and Fortunes* against *France*, and I don't doubt but by Gods *Blessing*, you will *Conquer* and *Subdue* it; [and from thence to *Rome*:] for I have a great desire to see the *French King*, having *Fasted Fourteen Days* that he should not *Conquer* us: therefore fear not his *Mighty Army*, for God will give you *Victory*, but make haste and do it; for Gods *Hand* as well as this *Kingdoms* will be against it. And in doing so, you will make the *Prince* Famous through the *World*; and *Too* by your *Wisdom, Justice and Goodness*, may be Instrumental to *Convince the Roman Catholics* of their *Errors*; and so in the *End* obtain a *Universal Peace*, which will be *Tear Eternal Glory* not only in this *World*, but in *That* to come: which that the *Lord* may give you *Wisdom* to obtain, is the *Prayer* of *Your Humble Servant*

And Souls Well-Wisher,
ELINOR JAMES

Ralph Box,
Citizen of London.

*To the Right Honourable the Lords Spiritual
and Temporal and Commons of England, in
Parliament Assembled; Humbly presented,*

THAT the said *Ralph Box*, did on the Sixth of *March*, 1692 Marry *Elizabeth Eyre*, Daughter of *Sir Giles Eyre* Deceas'd, and that the said *Elizabeth* did in *March* 1700 Elope from her said Husband, and did then live in Adultery with several Persons, particularly, with *Henry Wells*, Esq. against whom the said *Ralph Box* did obtain a Verdict in His Majesty's Court of *Kings-Bench* at *Westminster*, in *Michaelsmas* Term last.

And that the said Ralph Box, hath on the Fifteenth day of this ~~month~~ February, obtain'd a Definitive Sentence for a Divorce in the Archbis Court of Canterbury for the said Crime; Exemplifications of both which, he the said Ralph Box hath ready to produce.

THEREFORE the said *Ralph Box* Humbly
Hopes, that he may obtain an Act for Dissolving
his Marriage and giving him leave to Marry
again, whereby his Family may be upheld
and his Credit supported.

T H E

Gloucestershire

A D D R E S S .

WE Your Majesty's most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, the High-Sheriff, Grand Jury, Justices of the Peace, and Others, the Gentlemen of the County of *Gloucester*, Assembled at the Assizes held for the said County, on the 18th Day of *March* 1709. Do gladly embrace this Opportunity of giving Your Majesty our hearty and solemn Assurances, that we now are, and always shall be ready, to sacrifice our Lives and Fortunes, and all Things dear to Us, in Defence of Your Majesty's most Sacred Prerogative, Person and Government, the Protestant Succession, and the Church of *England*, as by Law Establish'd, and the Apostolical Doctrine and Ordinances, against all Republicans, Traiterous Factions and Schismatical Opposers at Home, and all open and profess'd Enemies Abroad.

That We in our several Capacities, to our utmost will endeavour to suppress all Seditious Tenets, Immoralities and Profaneness; and in the ensuing Parliament chuse such Representatives, as are most Affectionately Dutiful to Your Majesty, and most Religiously Zealous for our Holy Church, and have the tenderest Regard for the Lives, Liberties and Estates of their Fellow-Subjects.

' Long may Your Majesty Live and Reign over Us,
' the Nursing Mother of our spotless Religion,
' the Delight and Darling of a Happy People.

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As by this Lottery the least Fortunate Ticket shall be of Five Pound *per* Ticket, or Ten *per Cent. per Annum*, which may seem too small an Interest to some People, though at that Rate they will receive their Principal and Five *per Cent.* besides; or Seven and a half if the Interest of that Part of the Principal that they shall yearly receive is reckoned.

And as some Persons may rather desire a certain and moderate Profit for the use of their Money, than to trust the Chance for a greater Benefit; they shall (if they please) have it fixed at Fifteen Pounds *per Cent.* or less if the Parliament doth appoint a lesser Interest; which is the same to the King, there being as many Tickets above Fifteen *per Cent.*, as there are under. Neither will this hinder the rest from trying their Chance, in hopes of a greater Benefit, as above said.

The Tickets being drawn, and Persons having some at different Interests fallen to them, may for greater Ease have them reduced into one Tally.

In Case the Parliament doth appoint an Interest at Fourteen, Thirteen, or Twelve *per Cent.* it is already cast up in the same, or like Manner, as followeth.

The Disposall of the said Adventure at Fifteen *per Cent.* is to be thus, *viz.*

10 Tickets of 50 l. apiece, at 100 <i>per Cent.</i> }		500 Pounds:
or 50 l. yearly, comes to }		
20 ditto	at 90	900
30 ditto	at 80	1200
40 ditto	at 70	1400
50 ditto	at 60	1500
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70 ditto	at 40	1400
80 ditto	at 35	1400
90 ditto	at 30	1350
100 ditto	at 25	1250
350 ditto	at 20	3500
400 ditto	at 19	3800
1200 ditto	at 18	10800
2000 ditto	at 17	17000
3000 ditto	at 16	24000
5000 ditto	at 15	37500
100 ditto	at 14	700
200 ditto	at 13	1300
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2400 ditto	at 11	13200
3000 ditto	at 10	15000
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His Majesties
MOST GRACIOUS
S P E E C H
TO BOTH
HOUSES of PARLIAMENT.

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

I Am in the first Place to thank you for the Assistance you gave Me at our last Meeting: But we have a further Work upon our hands, and therefore I must acquaint you at the same time, that had your Supplies been Earlier, and Larger, we had by this been in a fairer way towards a good Peace.

As nothing is more uncertain than War, we cannot much boast of Our Advantage this Campaign, Yet besides our Signal Success at Sea, we have done Something at Land, and that too not Inconsiderable. The Duke of Savoy has, by Our powerful Assistance with our Troops, and Pecuniary Aids, invaded France, ruin'd part of His Country, and many of His Subjects; and Our selves by Fortifying *Furnes* and *Dixmuyde* have laid good Dispositions to do the same on this side the next Campaign, at least to prevent their in-croaching farther upon the *Spanish Netherland*. But ye all done hitherto is lost, if we do not pursue these good Beginnings. The enabling Me to perform this rests in you. But I must tell you, That slight Preparations will not do this Work. The Peace of *Europe*, and the Security of *England*, are too precious Jewels to be purchased at Cheap Rates.

Our Allies do resolve to exert themselves more Vigorously the next Campaign, and it will be expected that we do the same. In pursuance of which, I shall lay before you the state of the War by Sea and Land, and propose to your most serious Consideration the Expediency of a General Act of Indemnity for the Quieting and Uniting the Minds of all Our Subjects of what Perswasion soever. This is not a Time to keep our hands idle in our Pockets, or to let our Money rust in our Coffers; but we are to let the *French King* see that *England* is superiour to him in Strength and Riches. The Courage of the *English* is fam'd throughout the World; and 'tis one part of Courage not to fear Poverty, when our Honour lies at Stake.

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

There is one Consideration more which obliges us in this Juncture to do our Utmost, and even to outdo our former Selves, which is, That unless we appear more hearty than ever, 'tis to be doubted that the *Dutch* may come to think it necessary to make Peace with our Enemies, which will quite dissolve the Confederacy, and then 'tis visible that Our Trade will be utterly lost.

Wherefore I request you to begin with the Raising Money in the very first Place, and that not Sparingly, and do not listen to the Suggestions of some Discontented Persons to Higgle with a King who was Chosen by your Selves, and who so frankly ventures his Life for your Good. The early Notion of your Zeal in this Point will knit the Confederacy, be a Leading Example to all our Allies, and the greatest Blow France ever had.

F I N I S.

REMARKS upon the Scotch Act, in a Letter to a Friend.

S I R,

TO satisfy you that there's such a thing as a *Scotch Act*, for Granting the Trade of *India, Africa, and America*, to a Company Settled or to be Settled in *Scotland*, I send you the Printed Copy inclosed.

And if Reports be true, and we may believe what we hear, the Subscription of the said Company is already perfected for the full Sum of 600000*l.* half whereof is Subscribed by *English* Merchants, and others. And some say, That the Designs of that Company are framed and carryed on here in *London*; and Ships are building and buying, and Car-goes providing here and Abroad, in order to a Vigorous carrying on of their Trade; others say, That the Interlopers here, are very good Friends with the Managers of the *Scotch* Company, which some take to be the Reason, why they are not heard to find fault with it; which, whether it be, that they are all one, or, that they intend to shelter their Interloping Ships gone to *India*, and now going thither by Licence under that Company, and so to come for *Scotland*, for these or some other Important Reasons to themselves best known; the Interlopers, who are Men that love to Fish in troubled Waters, and hate all Establishments of Company's for Trade, are reconcil'd to this Company, at least so far, as to make no Noise or any Complaint against it.

Now as to the Opinions of Men about this Company, which you desire to know, they differ so much therein, that I am at a loss how to give you any Account of them.

Some say, That by this Act, *Scotland* is made a free Port for the Trade of Three Parts of the World.

Some say, That if it be so, in little time they will draw in the other Quarter.

Some say, That the Riches of *England* have been Purchased by Selling the Overplus of what we do Import from all Parts of the World, more than what we do Consume our Selves to Foreign Nations.

Some say, That Foreigners will buy none of those Goods of us which we bring home from *India, Africa, and America*, so long as they can be supplied with such Goods from *Scotland*; because they shall certainly buy them Cheaper there, seeing the *Scotch* will Pay no Duties upon them, which are very high in *England*, and by Consequence will make our Goods so much the dearer.

Some say, That the Retailers in *England* will buy few or no Goods, neither brought into *England* by the Traders to *India, Africa, and America*, because they will buy them Cheaper in *Scotland*, the Duties being to be Paid upon such Goods which remain in *England*, to the full, nothing being re-paid again but upon the Exportation.

Some say, That it will be impossible to hinder the bringing in of Goods by Land from *Scotland*, by those Pedlars and others, altho the *Picci's Wall* were re-built much higher than before.

Some say, They will be brought in by Sea also, and some say, that this *Scotch* Company will in a short time, for these and many other Reasons, destroy the whole Trade and Navigation of *England*, and carry it to *Scotland*.

Now, Sir, if these will be the Consequences of this *Scotch Act*, it appears very formidable, and should require a speedy Remedy; but it may be, some Men may be of another Mind, and I am always for submitting to better Judgments, and am,

S I R,

Asbury
Guy F. Scott et al.



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Choice. Nor do we only want a Parliament that may confirm, establish, and support His Majesty in the Throne, but which may proceed on those Principles, as does render his Accession to it necessary, as well as honourable and just. And as the Nation is once more furnished with an opportunity of choosing such a *Representative Body*, as may vindicate and assert its Ancient Laws, Rights and Liberties; so there is a fresh advantage offered us, of testifying our Loyalty to his present Majesty, and of promoting his Greatness, as well as of providing for our own future safety. I need not tell you, that the Ends to be proposed in the Service of those who are to be Elected, is, that Your Throne may be settled upon firm and righteous Foundations; and that all His Majesty's Subjects may live at ease and unity under His Government. 'Tis therefore first incumbent upon all wise and honest Men, that they elect such to represent them, as may both allow and confirm unto the King all the Ancient and Legal Rights of the Crown, and yet at the same time recover and secure all those Privileges unto the People, which the invading and rejecting from them, gave occasion unto, and can alone justify the late Revolution. Whosoever seeks to enrich the King with the Spoils of his Subjects, and so adorn them with what our Late Monarch ravished from them, can design no less, than that the same *Fate* should befall him, which overtook his Predecessor; which is the robbing him first of his Peoples Affections, and then of his own Authority. 2dly, 'Tis no less the Duty, than it is the Interest of all that would have the Nation formidable to its Enemies, and the King successful in his Undertakings, that they depute and authorise those to act for them in Parliament, who without subverting or undermining the Church, may not only preserve unto Dissenters, that Liberty vouchsafed unto them for worshipping God; but who may restore them unto, and vest them in, all the Common Rights and Privileges of *Englishmen*. Nor will it be easy to persuade so great a Company of People, that they find their account in the late Revolution, unless they be admitted by Law to enjoy the same Advantages under the present King, which by dispensing with, and an usurpation over the Law, they were possessed of under the last. 3dly, We are to esteem them the fittest of all others, to be returned to serve in the Ensuing Parliament, who are likeliest to maintain in our *Allies* a confidence of us, and to encourage them both to continue the *Confederacy*, and to pursue the Ends of it. And therefore as we would not give jealously

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AS I do fully acquiesce in the Wisdom and Authority of the King in his dissolving of the *late Parliament*: So I'm perfectly persuaded, that he did it upon motives relating to his own Honour, and to the safety and happiness of his People, and not in suberviency to any *Prerogative Design*, nor to please himself with an Exercise of *Royal Power*. And I will venture to say, that nothing could have induced him, so abruptly, as well as unexpectedly, to have dismissed a Parliament, that first advanced him unto, and then by so many free and vast Contributions, endeavour'd to support him in the Throne, but the finding them unserviceable to the Uniting of Protestants, the vindicating of our Laws and Liberties, and the punishing of those who had subverted our Constitution, which as they are the only Justifiable Grounds, both of his coming hither, and of his accepting the Royal Authority; so nothing less than the pursuing those Ends, can vindicate his *descent into England* from being an *Unrighteous Invasion*; and his *ascending the British Thrones*, from the Reproach of an *Ambitious Usurpation*. How could a Prince of his Integrity and Wisdom think that the obtaining and wearing of a Crown was honourable and just, while the Reasons upon which he received and possesseth it, were not only controuled, and reproached, but exposed and ridiculed? Nor is it possible for His Majesty to believe, that the Late King was so hainously guilty, as to forfeit all Right to Sovereignty, while those who advised him unto, and were the *Ministers* of all his *misgovernment*, whom the Law makes chiefly, if not only accountable, were esteemed Guiltless and Innocent. He could not but foresee, that the *Abdication* of King *James* is easily Reversible, and that he himself holds his Crown very precariously, if there were nothing to justify the *Enthroning* the one, and the *De-throning* t'other, but the hasty and Arbitrary Vote of the Majority of the Two Houses. And he must needs look upon all that was alledged, concerning the Late King's violating the *Original Contract*, and his subverting the Laws of the Constitution, as Fiction and Dream, while there were none to be found, that counselled him unto, or assisted him in it.

And as this justifieth the Wisdom of His Majesty in the dissolving of the *late Parliament*, so we may from hence easily conclude, both upon what prospect and hope he hath been pleased to call a *New One*, and by what measures those to whom the right of Electing Members doth belong, are to guide themselves in the Ensuing

Choice. Nor do we only want a Parliament that may confirm, establish, and support His Majesty in the Throne, but which may proceed on those Principles, as does render his Accession to it necessary, as well as honourable and just. And as the Nation is once more furnished with an opportunity of choosing such a *Representative Body*, as may vindicate and assert its Ancient Laws, Rights and Liberties; so there is a fresh advantage offered us, of testifying our Loyalty to his present Majesty, and of promoting his Greatness, as well as of providing for our own future safety. I need not tell you, that the Ends to be proposed in the Service of those who are to be Electcd, is, that Your Throne may be settled upon firm and righteous Foundations; and that all His Majesty's Subjects may live at ease and unity under His Government. 'Tis therefore first incumbent upon all wise and honest Men, that they elect such to represent them, as may both allow and confirm unto the King all the Ancient and Legal Rights of the Crown, and yet at the same time recover and secure all those Privileges unto the People; which the invading and rejecting from them, gave occasion unto, and can alone justify the late Revolution. Whosoever seeks to enrich the King with the Spoils of his Subjects, and so adorn them with what our Late Monarch ravished from them, can design no less, than that the same Fate should befall him, which overtook his Predecessor; which is the robbing him first of his Peoples Affections, and then of his own Authority. 2dly, 'Tis no less the Duty, than it is the Interest of all that would have the Nation formidable to its Enemies, and the King successful in his Undertakings, that they depute and authorise those to act for them in Parliament, who without subverting or undermining the Church, may not only preserve unto Dissenters, that Liberty vouchsafed unto them for worshipping God; but who may restore them unto, and vest them in, all the Common Rights and Privileges of *Englishmen*. Nor will it be easie to persuade so great a Company of People, that they find their account in the late Revolution, unless they be admitted by Law to enjoy the same Advantages under the present King, which by dispensing with, and an usurpation over the Law, they were possessed of under the last. 3dly, We are to esteem them the fittest of all others, to be returned to serve in the Ensuing Parliament, who are likeliest to maintain in our *Allies* a confidence of us, and to encourage them both to continue the *Confederacy*, and to pursue the Ends of it. And therefore as we would not give jealously

lously unto them, and weaken the Union amongst themselves, and with us, we ought to avoid the chusing of those that have heretofore promoted the Grandeur of *France*, or that have either sought the Destruction of the *Dutch*, or expressed a malice and rancour towards them. *4thly*, As we would not betray both the King and our selves, we are to chuse none but such who are intirely in his Majesty's, and in the Kingdom's interest; Which as it is impossible to believe of them, who acknowledge him only a King in *Fact*, but not by *Right*; so it is not easie to conceive how they should be forward and zealous to support him in the Throne, who opposed his coming to it. The Enemies to King *James's Abdication* are not like to be true and lasting Friends to King *William's Sovereignty*. In short, it is the duty of all that love the present Establishment, to be against

those, whom you find them to be for, that refuse to swear Allegiance to their present Majesties. Nor are they worthy of the Vote of an honest Man, who are not satisfied with the Protection of the Royal Power, unless they have both the mastery of it, and the exerting and applying of it to the oppression of their Fellow-Subjects. 'Tis not a King, but a Tool under that name, which they desire. And instead of allowing him to be the Universal, and Equal Ruler of all His People, they seek to reduce and degrade him to be the Head of a little and Peevish Faction. Which that His Majesty may be preserved from all Temptations unto, through the wise Choice of those that are to sit in the following Parliament, is the unfeigned desire of,

Sir,
Your humble Servants.

Berks	Robert Eyerly	Hen. Bertie	Hen. Pooley
Lord Norris.	George Morland.	Sir Jon Doyley.	Sir Robert Davers
Buckingham.	Gloucestershire	Rutland	Sir Thomas Harrvey.
Sir Ralph Verney.	Will. Cook	Sir Tho. Mackworth.	Surry.
Camb.	Tho. Master	Salop	John Weston
Sir Levinus Bennet	Sir Fra. Russell.	Edw. Kynaston	White Tichburn.
Sir Robert Cotton	Herefordshire	Andrew Newport	Suffex.
Sir Robert Sawyer.	Hen. Cornwall.	Sir Fran. Edwards	Sir William Morley
Cornwall	Huntingtonshire	Sir Edw. Aston	John Alford
Sir Bourcher Wrey	John Bigg.	George Weld.	Charles Goring Jun.
Fran. Roberts	Kent	Somerset	Will. Morley.
Sir John St. Aubin	Sir John Banks	Sir Rich. Hart	Warwickshire.
Charles Godolphin	Sir John Twisden	Sir John Knights	Sir Richard Verney
Nich. Glynn	Caleb Banks.	Edw. Berkley	Sir Roger Cave
John Tanner	Lancashire	Sir Will. Bassit	Lord Digby
Alexander Pendarvis	Fran. Cholmondeley	Sir Will. Portman	William Colemore.
James Praed	Sir Edw. Chisnall.	John Sandford	Westmorland.
John Rastleigh	Leicestershire	Sir Francis Warr	Richard Lowther
Fran. Vivian	Sir Tho. Halford	Francis Lutterel	William Cheyne
John Specot	Tho. Babington.	Nathan. Palmer	Wiltshire.
Sir Jos. Tredenham	Lincolnshire	Sir Edw. Windham	Lord Cornbury
Hen. Strymer	Charles Bertie.	Will. Helyar	Robert Hyde.
Sir John Coriton	Sir John Brownlow.	John Hunt	Richard Lewis
John Prideaux	Middlesex	Tho. Sanders.	Peregrine Bertie
Cumberland.	Sir Charles Gerard	Southampton.	Henry Chivers
Sir Christ. Musgrave.	Ralph Hewtrej.	Franc. Morley	Walter Grubb
Derby	Monmouth	Sir Benj. Newland	Charles Fox
John Ccke.	Marq. of Worcester.	Sir Robert Holms	Sir Edm. Warnford
Devonshire	Norfolk	Earl of Ranelagh	John Dean
Sir Edw. Seymour	Sir Will. Cook	Thomas Done	Sir John Ernle
Christo. Bale	Sir Newill Catlyn	Franc. Guin	Sir George Willoughby.
Sir John Fowell	Sir John Turner	William Estrick	Worcestershire
Rawlin Mallack	Sir Fran. Guybon.	John Pollen.	Henry Parker
William Cary	Northamptonshire	Staffordshire.	Sir John Matthews.
Henry Northleigh	Edw. Montague	John Gray	Yorkshire
Sir Arthur Chichester	Gilbert Dolben	Robert Burdet	Earl of Danby
Edm. Waltrond	Sir Justinian Isham	John Chetwind	Sir John Jennings
Will. Hayn	Lord Winman.	Sir Henry Gough.	Christopher Tancred.
Will. Coleman.	Northumberland	Suffolk.	Brecon.
Dorsetshire	Will. Forster	Sir John Cordell	E. Jones of Buckland.
Tho. Strangways	Philip Brickerstaff	Sir John Rous	Denby
John Pole	Sir Ralph Car	Sir John Barker	Sir Rich. Middleton
Sir Robert Nappier	Roger Fenwick.	Tho. Glemham	Edward Brebon.
Edw. Nicholas	Nottingham	Sir Hen. Johnson	Glamorgan
Rich. Fowns	Lord Eland.	William Johnson	Thomas Mansell
Will. Okeden.	Oxon	Sir John Foley	Pembroke
Durham	Sir Robert Jenkinson	Thomas Knyvet	Sir William Wogan.
Will. Lampton	Sir Tho Clarges		



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K. Whiston (Jan)
WHISTON'S
Merchants
Weekly Remembrance
Of the Present-Money-Prices of their Goods As
On Monday, January 26th, 16⁹⁰.

[Rising
Highest
Falling
Standing
Lowest]
And where Trex is dye to Freeman, which is 104 l. Near, is Marked with † Ditto, Cl
the Draught be 300 Weight, with *

I. Remit the ... D. what Duty paid. A. V. Ad Valorem, which is 9 per Cent, according to the Value of the ...
P. What ... A. Remit ... back, which for most Goods, is half what is paid in, provided they be Shipped out within a ...
Abates a ... of the said Duty for down.

Gold

Ditto French Pistols	420
Ditto Silver Standard	53d 3q
Pieces of Eight of Pillar & Silver	54d 9q
Ditto Mexico	54d 2q
Salt India Ashes	uncert.
Ditto Royal African Company	112l
Ditto Hudsons Bay	210l

**Raw Silk, 24 Ounces to the l. Avoir
du Poids Weighs**

Adas of Aleppo	125d 10 1/2	D. 4 d. R.
Ditto Smyrna with heads	128d 6 1/2	Ditto
Ditto without heads	128d	Ditto
Legge ordinary of Aleppo	186d 10 1/2	Ditto
Ditto Smyrna ordinary	186d 10 1/2	Ditto
Ditto Bursa	201d 5 1/2	Ditto
Ditto Sherpale	201d 5 1/2	Ditto
Crupoly Beladine	221d 10 1/2	Ditto
Byroot	226d	Ditto
Acta	216	Elas
Cypres	216	Elas
Bengal No. A.	uncert.	No B. uncert.
Ditto No. C.	ditto	No D. uncert.
Ditto No. E.	ditto	N.G. uncert.
Ditto No. F.	ditto	N.G. uncert.
Ditto No. G.	ditto	N.G. uncert.
Ditto No. H.	ditto	N.G. uncert.
Ditto No. I.	ditto	N.G. uncert.
Ditto No. J.	ditto	N.G. uncert.
Ditto No. K.	ditto	N.G. uncert.
Ditto No. L.	ditto	N.G. uncert.
Ditto No. M.	ditto	N.G. uncert.
Ditto No. N.	ditto	N.G. uncert.
Ditto No. O.	ditto	N.G. uncert.
Ditto No. P.	ditto	N.G. uncert.
Ditto No. Q.	ditto	N.G. uncert.
Ditto No. R.	ditto	N.G. uncert.
Ditto No. S.	ditto	N.G. uncert.
Ditto No. T.	ditto	N.G. uncert.
Ditto No. U.	ditto	N.G. uncert.
Ditto No. V.	ditto	N.G. uncert.
Ditto No. W.	ditto	N.G. uncert.
Ditto No. X.	ditto	N.G. uncert.
Ditto No. Y.	ditto	N.G. uncert.
Ditto No. Z.	ditto	N.G. uncert.

Ditto 16 Ounces.

Olionia superfine	28d	Ditto
Ditto second fort	26d	Ditto
Ditto third fort	21d 6 1/2	Ditto
Ditto of Messina	20d 10 1/2	Ditto
Cinquanta	20d 10 1/2	Ditto
Naples Thron	18d 10 1/2	Ditto
Melina Thron	18d 10 1/2	Ditto
Perret from Flanders, &c.	18d 10 1/2	Ditto

Spices the l. and C.

Ambee Pepper	13d 1/2	Malabar	14d	D. 1 d. R.
Billapattam	13d 1/2	Ditto	14d	D. 1 d. R.
Ditto White the C.	13d 1/2	Ditto	14d	D. 1 d. R.
Cinnamon the * l. best in parcel	68d 10 1/2	Ditto	68d 10 1/2	D. 4 d. 3 q. R.
Ditto Ordinary * l.	58d 10 1/2	Ditto	58d 10 1/2	D. 4 d. 3 q. R.
Nutmegs	61d	Ditto	61d	D. 12 d. R.
Mace bright and large	15d 2 1/2	Ditto	15d 2 1/2	D. 12 d. R.
Ditto mudling	none	Ad Valorem	none	
Ditto brown	none	T. 4 l. Bog.	none	
Cloves	3d 1/2	D. 12 d. R.	3d 1/2	D. 12 d. R.
Pimento * l. best Jamaica	none	Ditto	none	
Ditto Mounterrat	none	Ditto	none	
Ginger Black C.	3 3/4	Ditto	3 3/4	D. 12 d. R.
Ditto white and well scraped	3 3/4	Ditto	3 3/4	D. 12 d. R.

**Rice, Seeds, Barley, Almonds, Bees-
Wax, and Cacao's, by the C.**

M. Rice Garbled	38	D. 16 d. R.
Alex. Gar. none	21 1/2	D. 3 s. R.
Amiffed of Alicant garbled	40 1/2	D. 6 s. R.
Ditto Roma	28 1/2	D. 6 s. R.
French Barley	126d	Pearl
Jordan Almonds	41 1/2	D. 2 s. R.
Ditto Valencia	31 1/2	D. 2 s. R.
Ditto Barbary ordinary	55 1/2	D. 2 s. R.
English Bees-Wax	67 1/2	D. 2 s. R.
Ditto East Country	61 1/2	D. 2 s. R.
Ditto Barbary	61 1/2	D. 2 s. R.
Ditto Guancy	61 1/2	D. 2 s. R.
Caraca Cacao's Old	19 1/2	D. 2 s. R.
Ditto New	15 1/2	D. 2 s. R.
Ditto Jamaica	12 1/2	D. 2 s. R.

Fruit by the C.

Currents New	36 1/2	D. 6 s. R.
Ditto Old	20 1/2	D. 6 s. R.
Railins Sun in parcel New	37 1/2	D. 6 s. R.
Ditto Old	24 1/2	D. 6 s. R.
Mallage Pieces New	24 1/2	D. 6 s. R.
Ditto Old	24 1/2	D. 6 s. R.
Alicant in Baskets Old	14 1/2	D. 6 s. R.
Ditto Lepere	none	D. 6 s. R.
Fig New	28 1/2	D. 6 s. R.
Prunes in parcel	19 1/2	D. 6 s. R.
Capp Dates garbled	31 1/2	D. 6 s. R.

**Sugars by the C. and the l. Above after
the new Duty are paid**

First Whites Barbadoes	56 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Second fort	45 1/2	Ditto
Third fort	42 1/2	Ditto
Unpurged in parcel	34 1/2	Ditto
Mevis in parcel	34 1/2	Ditto
Jamaica unpurged best	40 1/2	Ditto
Ditto courier in parcel	34 1/2	Ditto
Eng. Loaf double refined best the l.	52 1/2	D. 6 d. the C.
Ditto Powder Loaf	52 1/2	Ditto
Ditto single refined	72 1/2	Ditto
Powder Sugar best the C.	56 1/2	Ditto
Ditto second fort	47 1/2	Ditto
Sugar Candy White the l.	13d 1/2	Ditto
Ditto Brown	70 1/2	Ditto
Melafes London the C.	70 1/2	Ditto
Ditto from the Caribbes	19 1/2	Ditto

Drugs by the Ounce, Troy Weight.

China Musk in Cods	158 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Agria in Cod	170 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Ambergreece	310 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto black	50 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto Irish	22 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Civet English	22 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Barbadoes * l.	18 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Lap. Bezoon Oriental	24 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto Occidental	24 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Seed Pearl Oriental	none	A. V.
Ditto Occidental	30 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Sweten Pearl	20 1/2	D. 18 d. R.

**Ditto by the l. and C. Avoir
du Poids Weighs**

Andemous Minor	35d 10 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Turkey Wormseed in soy.	23d	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto Garbled	35d	D. 18 d. R.
Rhubarb of Turkey best	18d 10 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto Russia	12d 10 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Seberia California Russia	none	D. 18 d. R.
Sena of Alexandria	46d	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto Tropy's garbled	46d	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto of Aleppo the l.	35d	D. 18 d. R.
Manna	24d 10 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Cortex Winteracees the C.	22d 10 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Scammony fine of Alep. the l.	14d 10 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto Smyrna	13d	D. 18 d. R.
Opium the l.	27d 10 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Jallop	15d 10 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Colloquintida fistul	24d 10 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto with Seed	12d	D. 18 d. R.
Mallick	34d	D. 18 d. R.
Turkey Galbanum the l.	12d 10 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Verdigraie	7d 10 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Sariaparilla in parcel	uncert.	D. 18 d. R.
China Roots in parcel the C.	42d	D. 18 d. R.
Quickilver the l.	35d	D. 18 d. R.
Vermillion the l.	35d	D. 18 d. R.
Galligale the C.	uncert.	D. 18 d. R.
Sanguis Draconis the l. in Drops	none	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto in Lumpes	ditto	D. 18 d. R.
Long Pepper the C.	41 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Cubeb	61 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Turnerick	31 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Red Earth	90 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Aloes Succatrina	uncert.	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto Hepatica the C.	45 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto Barbadoes the C.	55 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Myrrhe in forts the C.	51 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Campfire warehous the C.	14 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto refined the l.	44d	D. 18 d. R.
Tinical the C.	none	D. 18 d. R.
Benjamin second fort	ditto	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto ordinary fort	91 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Olibanum East-India	uncert.	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto Straight	none	D. 18 d. R.
Shellack	31 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Stricklack Black	none	D. 18 d. R.
Gum Dragant	20 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Gum Seneca	uncert.	D. 18 d. R.
Gum Arabick of Turkey	none	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto of Barbary	none	D. 18 d. R.
Cinnamon Cassia Lig. m.	31 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto fine Quill C.	none	D. 18 d. R.
Cantharides	56d	D. 18 d. R.
Coculus India C.	61 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Tamerinds C.	31 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Ariseck White in parcel	35 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto Yellow	32 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Affatida the C.	61 1/2	D. 18 d. R.

**Green
Ditto
Collins**

Roman Vitriol Cut the l.	30d	D. 18 d. R.
Saffron English best the l.	31 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto Spanish	10 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Yea the best	25 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto second fort	41 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Salammoniac the C. East India	51 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto of Turkey	7 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Guynia Grain	35d	D. 18 d. R.
Ingals pateriarcks the l.	2 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto second fort	15 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Cortex Peruviani in parcel	25 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto garbled best	61 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Pay-berryes the C.	15 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Mercury Subl. the l.	45d	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto Precipitate	5 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Borax refined	3 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Storax Calamita Best	45 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Zedary best the C.	61	D. 18 d. R.
Cerus the B.	19 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
East-India Cassia Fiftula parcel	none	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto Caribbes	none	D. 18 d. R.
Butter Almonds the C.	50 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Strasburgh Turpentine fine	71 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Autumny of East Country	20 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Crobus Eyes the l.	none	D. 18 d. R.
Pax Furgundia the C.	25 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Lapis Tutia	31 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Spikenard	none	D. 18 d. R.
Mecholan the C.	61	D. 18 d. R.
Cambogium best	14 1/2	D. 18 d. R.

Dyers Wages by the l.

Ocheenal Garbled	21 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Lahore Indico	9d	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto Gaurimal	55 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Cerques round	45d	D. 18 d. R.
Jamaica	55 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Or the other Caribbes	35 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Annaro Spanish in Balls fine	ditto	D. 18 d. R.

Ditto by the C.

M. Gaus or Alep. best	31 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto Smyrna	58 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Valonia Caps whole	none	D. 18 d. R.
Crap Madder best	40 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto Oubero	32 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto Genue the best	16 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto in Fats	none	D. 18 d. R.
Mullnalls	60 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Logwood in parcel	16 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Sapan wood	none	D. 18 d. R.
Safflower of Strasburgh best	71 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto Erford	5 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Burdians Cream of Tartar	none	D. 18 d. R.
English Copper	55d	D. 18 d. R.
Old Redwood of Guin. in Log	31 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto New	31 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Brazilkete	31 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Fernembuck wood young	56d	D. 18 d. R.
Bahia Brazil	24 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Nicarage Wood	26 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Fullick from Zam. &c.	none	D. 18 d. R.
West India Fullick	14 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Shomack of Oporto	14 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Allom English	18 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto of Turkey	15 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Argol of East-Country	42 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto Italy White	26 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto Red	23 1/2	D. 18 d. R.
Ditto Oporto	none	D. 18 d. R.
Red Saunders whole	35d	D. 18 d. R.

Tobacco by the l. Above here after all.
the Old and New Duty is paid.

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1 **A** Curious Landskip with Figures by Abraham Mankenda
2 Lambert Charles Kyden Governor of Nimeguen
3 a Sea piece by Vandeveld
4 an Oultrich hunting by Abraham Hondius
5 The holy Family by Hendrick Goltius
6 a small Landskip & Parakites by an Ital Hand
7 a Christmas night by old Colony
8 a Sea Storm a rare picture by the best Vandeveld
9 The holy Family by Thomas Bernardine
10 a Landskip with Cattle by Peter Vanberg
11 a Sea Storm by Vandeveld
12 a Conversation a curious Picture by Hemskirk
13 a Swan hunting by Abraham Hondius
14 The Judgment of Paris by Seig. Vario
15 a piece of still Life by John Streck
16 The raising of Lazarus a fine Picture by Holbein
17 Horses and Figures by Woverman
18 a Sea piece well painted (man
19 a Landskip with a Rock and Figures by Voster-
20 The Story of Cymon Iphigenia by Seig. Marco
21 an old Mans Head by Jourdans
22 a large Landskip with Figures by Savory
23 a curious piece of Ruins the manner of Savory
24 a Sea calm a curious picture by Tillemans
25 Europa by Scignior Genaro
26 St Josephs Head by Abram Blomart
27 a large Bachanalìa by Casteels of Antwerp
28 a Carpet and other still Life rarely painted by
29 a Magdalen Head by Dobson (Rostrate
30 Fish lying on the Sea shore by Le clerc
31 a large Flower pot by William Varelst
32 an admirable Italian Landskip with a Roman
33 Adam and Eve by Corn. Van harlem (Augure
34 a Magdalen by Henderick Goltius
35 a curious Fruit piece by Varelst

- No
36 a Landskip with the Judgment of Paris, the
Figures by Vandyck
37 a Sea piece by the best Vandeveld
38 a Conversation by Hemskirk
39 The holy Family after Carlo Morat
40 a March a curious picture by Wyck
41 a Surgeons Shop by Hemskirk
42 a Landskip by Huifman
43 a Country-Fair by Drogfloten
44 a Gale of Wind at Sea by the best Vandeveld
45 a large piece of Satyrs after Rubens
46 a Campagn by van Bloma
47 a Dutch School by Hemskirk
48 another of the same size by ditto
49 William Roper etsq; by Holbein
50 The Virgin Mary, Christ and St John by Mich.
51 a Flower piece by Baptift (Angelo
52 another by the same Master
53 a Fidler finely painted
54 a Fruit piece by Cornelius van Kenden
55 a Battle by Vandermpulen
56 a Winter Landskip with Birds by Mr. Gryffier
57 a curious Landskip with Figures by Vincaboom
Brughels Master
58 a Court of Guard by Isaac Rutier
59 a fine piece of Flowers by Vanzoon
60 a curious Landskip by old Hondecote
61 a Fruit piece by Cornelius van Kenden
62 a piece of Ducks by Vanderhagen
63 a round three quarter Battle by Carnardo
64 a curious Fruit piece by the best De Heem
65 an History piece by Bramer on copper
66 a Boy with a Birds nest by Mr. Hughes
67 a Man a smoaking by Brower
68 an History piece by a good Hand
69 a Church piece by Deneff

T H E
Usefulness of, and Reasons for
A
PUBICK OFFICE,
For Registering of SERVANTS.

TIS too well known that the Irregularities of Servants are become a general Grievance, and their due Regulation would Commence the much desired Reformation.

The present Liberty allowed to Servants to remove at Pleasure, who are unwilling to be subject to the Government of well Regulated Families, puts many out of Service, exposeth them to a Vicious Life, increaseth the number of *Thieves, Robbers, Pick-pockets, Shop-lifters, Vagabonds, &c.* and Promotes all manner of Wickedness and Debauchery.

To prevent which, 5. *Eliz.* It was Enacted, *That Servants should not depart from their Service, without a Certificate from Masters or Mistresses, which Certificate was to be Registered by the Parson, Vicar or Curate, who for the Registry of every Servant was to have Two Pence.*

But the Minister being under no Penalty, and the Trouble Great, and the Reward Small, and the Duty Required being no part of their Ministerial Function, and apt to occasion Differences with their Parishioners; for these and other Reasons, the Execution of that part of this Statute hath been wholly neglected, and will never be duly Executed till the Ministers are discharged of this Trouble, and the Execution thereof committed to other Persons, whose interest may oblige them to see this Act to be duly and Universally observed.

In Order to which, it is Humbly Propos'd that there may be an Additional Act that their Majesties and Successors may Appoint Officers to Erect Offices to see this Law duly Executed, and also to Register all Servants Residing within the Kingdom:

For the REASONS *following.*

I. It will be of great Advantage to every Family in the Nation, when Servants are thus obliged to demean themselves well: In order to obtain a Certificate at their Departure.

II. It will be also a great Advantage to good and faithful Servants: who, by their Certificates, will be qualified for, and immediately received into Service, without the Expence of Time for Enquiries about them, or the Expence of Charge at the Intelligence Office to find out a Service, or troubling their Friends to Engage for their Fidelity.

III. This Act will much lessen the number of Vagabonds, and all sorts of Thieves and Robbers, and ease the Hundreds that suffer by Robberies; keep many from *Tyburn*; discover and secure Idle, Disorderly, Suspicious and Dissatisfied Persons; and consequently in a great Measure, secure the Government and the Peace of the Kingdom.

Other Reasons might be offered, but it is hoped these will give entire Satisfaction.

The C A S E of the
PURCHASERS
UNDER THE
Earl of Athlone.

THE House of Commons of *England*, in the Year 1691. voted Thanks to the Earl of *Athlone* for his great Services in the Reduction of *Ireland*, and appointed a Committee of themselves to attend and acquaint him therewith.

In 1693, their Majesties King *William* and the late Queen *Mary*, did grant unto the said Earl, in consideration of his said Services, two of the forfeited Estates of that Kingdom, viz. the late Earl of *Limerick's*, and the late Lord of *Slane's* Estate, both amounting to near 4000 l. per Ann. And in 1695. his Majesty ordered a Bill to be prepared for confirming the said Grants: Which Bill was agreed to by the Privy Council of *England*, and past under the Great Seal thereof; and by his Majesty's special Command was transmitted in due form to the Parliament then sitting in *Ireland*, who past the same into a Law with all the usual Formality, and according to *Poyning's* Law, which Law so particularly subjects *Ireland* to *England*, that no Law or Act of Parliament can be made in that Kingdom, but what is first approved by the Privy Council, and past under the Great Seal of *England*.

The said Earl soon after came into *Ireland*, and sold part of the said Grants to the Purchasers and their Heirs for ever, under certain reserved Rents. Which reserved Rents, together with the Remainder of the Grants undisposed of by the said Earl, amount to 2220 l. per Annum.

The said Purchasers knowing an Act of Parliament of *Ireland*, transmitted as aforesaid, to be as good a Title as any Man hath to any Estate in *Ireland*, bought under it, and paid bona fide (as hath been proved before the Trustees) 17476 l. to the said Earl for their Purchases, and have since laid out very considerable Sums in Improvements.

Notwithstanding which Title (which is so particular, that in *Ireland* no other Purchasers under Grants have the like) the late Act of Parliament for sale of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, hath vested the aforesaid Estates in the Trustees, which will prove the Ruin of many of the Purchasers and their Families, unless relieved by this Honourable House.



The Case of the
PURCHASERS

UNDER THE

K. Gintal (Grand de) **Earl of Athlone.**

A Correct TIDE-TABLE, shewing the true times of the *High-Waters* at *London-Bridge* to every Day in the Year 1688. By *J. Flamsteed* Math. Reg. & R. S. S.

Days.	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.
1 M	8 07	9 54	9 40	11 21	11 29	0 08	1 51	3 06	3 26	4 38	5 58	
A	8 37	10 31	10 17	11 48	11 45	0 15	0 41	2 17	3 25	4 45	5 00	5 18
2 M	9 10	11 07	10 50			0 44	1 12	2 39	3 35	4 05	5 24	5 38
A	9 44	11 43	11 22	0 12	0 13	1 12	1 41	3 00	3 56	4 26	5 50	5 00
3 M	10 19		11 52	0 35	0 38	1 39	2 10	3 18	4 13	4 46	6 17	6 22
A	10 55	0 15	0 0	0 57	1 02	2 05	2 16	3 36	4 32	5 09	6 44	6 44
4 M	11 30	0 45	0 20	1 18	1 24	2 28	3 56	5 24	5 52	6 34	7 13	7 06
A	11 12	0 12	0 46	1 38	1 45	2 50	3 16	4 10	5 14	6 04	7 40	7 30
5 M	0 05	1 37	1 10	2 57	2 06	3 11	3 54	5 26	5 39	6 34	7 10	7 54
A	0 39	2 00	1 32	2 15	2 27	3 30	3 52	4 45	5 08	6 07	6 38	7 20
6 M	1 09	2 19	1 52	3 32	2 47	3 50	4 10	5 05	5 39	6 40	7 04	8 44
A	1 36	2 36	2 10	3 49	3 06	4 09	4 26	5 25	5 12	6 15	7 31	8 11
7 M	2 02	2 52	2 27	4 05	3 24	4 28	4 45	5 49	6 48	7 49	8 56	9 36
A	2 25	3 07	2 43	4 33	3 53	4 44	4 58	6 04	6 58	7 59	9 10	9 03
8 M	2 45	3 22	2 58	4 36	4 00	5 09	5 24	6 41	7 39	8 40	9 55	10 31
A	3 03	3 36	3 12	4 51	4 19	5 30	5 46	7 13	8 09	9 10	10 26	10 59
9 M	3 20	3 50	3 26	5 04	4 40	5 53	6 09	7 47	8 40	9 41	10 54	11 28
A	3 35	4 03	3 39	5 28	5 01	6 16	6 34	8 23	9 10	10 11	11 21	11 57
10 M	3 50	4 16	3 53	5 47	5 24	6 41	7 00	8 01	8 41	9 41	10 04	
A	4 04	4 29	4 05	5 58	5 30	6 47	7 08	8 09	8 41	9 41	10 20	26
11 M	4 18	4 43	4 22	6 31	6 17	7 35	8 02	9 19	10 00	11 00	12 00	54
A	4 33	4 58	4 37	6 58	6 44	8 03	8 36	9 57	10 21	11 21	12 00	20
12 M	4 47	5 14	5 56	7 26	7 14	8 36	9 01	10 31	11 00	12 00	1 00	47
A	5 01	5 33	6 15	7 55	7 55	9 10	9 50	10 00	10 00	11 00	12 00	12
13 M	5 17	5 54	6 38	8 08	8 08	9 30	10 27	11 00	11 31	12 31	1 00	34
A	5 34	6 15	6 58	8 38	8 38	9 50	10 48	11 00	11 31	12 31	1 00	55
14 M	5 52	6 43	7 31	8 49	8 49	10 10	11 34	12 00	12 31	1 31	2 00	14
A	6 11	7 13	8 01	9 19	9 19	10 31	11 29	12 00	12 31	1 31	2 00	33
15 M	6 32	7 44	8 36	9 51	9 51	11 10	12 23	1 00	1 31	2 31	3 00	51
A	6 55	8 08	9 00	10 10	10 10	11 23	12 04	1 00	1 31	2 31	3 00	09
16 M	7 19	8 57	9 50	10 29	10 29	11 30	12 39	1 00	1 31	2 31	3 00	26
A	7 45	9 37	10 29	11 33	11 33	12 39	1 00	1 31	2 31	3 00	3 44	44
17 M	8 16	10 18	11 07	12 00	12 00	1 03	2 14	3 06	3 37	4 37	5 00	03
A	8 49	10 59	11 47	12 00	12 00	1 33	2 46	3 39	4 10	5 10	5 44	24
18 M	9 24	11 40	12 24	1 00	1 00	2 31	3 43	4 36	5 07	6 07	6 40	45
A	10 01	12 11	12 58	1 04	1 04	3 33	4 46	5 39	6 10	7 10	7 44	07
19 M	10 38	12 16	1 00	2 31	2 31	3 43	4 56	5 49	6 20	7 20	7 54	31
A	11 18	1 00	2 31	3 43	3 43	4 56	6 09	7 02	7 33	8 33	9 07	56
20 M	11 57	1 20	2 52	4 05	4 05	5 18	6 31	7 24	7 55	8 55	9 29	22
A	12 37	2 00	3 31	4 44	4 44	5 57	7 10	8 03	8 34	9 34	10 08	52
21 M	0 34	2 15	3 38	4 51	4 51	6 04	7 17	8 10	8 41	9 41	10 15	22
A	1 08	2 36	4 00	5 13	5 13	6 26	7 39	8 32	9 03	10 03	10 37	55
22 M	1 39	3 26	4 50	6 03	6 03	7 16	8 29	9 22	9 53	10 53	11 27	29
A	2 07	3 44	5 08	6 21	6 21	7 34	8 47	9 40	10 11	11 11	11 45	06
23 M	2 32	4 19	5 43	6 56	6 56	8 09	9 22	10 15	10 46	11 46	12 20	44
A	3 06	4 43	6 07	7 20	7 20	8 33	9 46	10 39	11 10	12 10	12 44	21
24 M	3 15	5 02	6 26	7 39	7 39	8 52	10 05	10 58	11 29	12 29	1 03	56
A	3 34	5 21	6 45	7 58	7 58	9 11	10 24	11 17	11 48	12 48	1 03	
25 M	3 50	5 37	7 01	8 14	8 14	9 27	10 40	11 33	12 04	1 04	2 00	37
A	4 05	5 52	7 16	8 29	8 29	9 42	10 55	11 48	12 19	1 19	2 15	11
26 M	4 24	6 11	7 35	8 48	8 48	10 01	11 14	12 07	1 00	2 00	2 34	41
A	4 43	6 30	7 54	9 07	9 07	10 20	11 33	12 26	1 00	2 00	2 34	09
27 M	5 06	6 53	8 17	9 30	9 30	10 43	11 56	12 49	1 00	2 00	2 34	34
A	5 26	7 13	8 37	9 50	9 50	11 03	12 16	1 00	2 00	2 34	2 34	56
28 M	5 41	7 28	8 52	10 05	10 05	11 18	12 31	1 00	2 00	2 34	2 34	16
A	6 05	7 52	9 16	10 29	10 29	11 42	12 55	1 00	2 00	2 34	2 34	34
29 M	6 32	8 19	9 43	10 56	10 56	12 09	1 00	2 00	2 34	2 34	2 34	50
A	7 01	8 48	10 12	11 25	11 25	12 38	1 00	2 00	2 34	2 34	2 34	06
30 M	7 32	9 19	10 43	11 56	11 56	1 00	2 00	2 34	2 34	2 34	2 34	22
A	8 04	9 51	11 15	12 28	12 28	1 00	2 00	2 34	2 34	2 34	2 34	37
31 M	8 41	10 28	11 52	1 00	1 00	2 00	2 34	2 34	2 34	2 34	2 34	52
A	9 16	11 03	12 27	1 00	1 00	2 00	2 34	2 34	2 34	2 34	2 34	90

M stands for Morning, A for Afternoon, ☉ for Sunday.

This Table may be made to serve the underwritten Places by

Adding	b. m.	Adding	b. m.	Subtracting	b. m.
For Timmouth-bewen Hartlepool, and Amsterdam.	30	Exmouth, Topsham and Lyme	30	For Buoy of the Nore, and Flushing	20
Brest	00	Weymouth	20	Shoe Beacon, Portsmouth,	30
Silly	45	Bradwater and Texel	45	Redsand and Ostend.	30
Mounts Bay	55	Portland, Harefleet, and without the Ouse.	40	Spitehead, Harwich, Dover, Calice	00
Bridlington Peer, and Humber	00	Subtracting		Orfordness, Gunfleet, Hastings,	00
Fowey Looe and Plymouth	13	For Leith, Maes, and	15	Shoreham, Diep.	00
Dartmouth, Harbottle, and Hull	30	Gouries Gut	15	Needles, and Yarmouth Peer.	40
Torbay and Tinnmouth	40	Graveland, Rochester, Rammekins	00	St. Hellens and Haver de Grace.	30

But note, That in such of these Places as lie open to the Sea, and where no great Rivers are, the Quarter-moon-high-waters, hold out longer than the times shewed by this Reduction, near half an hour.

As also that, When by reason of long Droughts in Summer, or continual hard Frosts in Winter, the fresh Waters are low; or when the Wind blows hard at N. or N. W. the Tides may hold up longer in the River of Thames, than the times shewed in the Table. But when the Wind is strong at W. or W. by S. or there are great Freshes; they hold not out so long, but the difference is seldom above half an hour.

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(Numb. 1.)

K. Neale (Thomas) Groom-Porter to their Masters.

**The P R I Z E S drawn at the PROFITABLE
ADVENTURE to the FORTUNATE, in *Free-*
man's-Yard Cornhill, on Wednesday, Thursday,
and Friday, the 1. 2, and 3. of this Instant
November, 1693.**

TH E Trustees and Goldsmiths for the Profitable Adventure to the Fortunate, met in *Freemans Tard Cornhill*, Octob. 31. where in the Presence of most of the Trustees, Goldsmiths, and others, the Blanks being all first told and put into a great Chest, the 250 Benefitted Tickets were in their Presence Rolled and Sowed up just like the Blanks, and then by Sir *William Forrester* Cut off from a Book, and one after another delivered into the Hand of *Thomas Neale*, Esq; and immediately by him put into the said Chest, and there very well mixt with the Blanks, in the Sight and Presence of Sir *William Forrester*, Sir *Thomas Vernon*, Sir *William Gore*, Sir *Peter Paravicine*, Mr. *Robert Rawworth*, Mr. *Robert Beningfield*, Mr. *John Genew*, Mr. *John Johnson*, Mr. *Richard Goodall*, Mr. *Richard Spencer*, Mr. *Richard Hoare*, Mr. *Thomas Williams*, Mr. *William Sheapherd*, Mr. *John Cogs*, Mr. *Joseph Fells*, Mr. *John Blackler*, Mr. *John Arnold*, Mr. *Henry Morse*, Mr. *Dalby Thomas*, Mr. *John Thrael*, and others, who immediately after saw the same put into the Box, out of which they are to be Drawn, and that being then Sealed up.

The Numbred Tickets in like manner were then likewise brought in by the Respective Goldsmiths, and being first Cut from the Book, and by them Told, were afterwards Told by others of the Trustees, and after put immediately into (and well mingled in) a great Chest, and then put into the Box and Sealed up, from whence they are to be Drawn; and both Boxes so Sealed were then put into a strong Chest with five several Locks for that Purpose provided, and the Keys kept by Five of the said Trustees and Goldsmiths. Which said Chest being on Wednesday the First of November, 1693. brought and set on the Table in the Presence of almost all the Trustees and many other Spectators, was then opened, and the Boxes aforesaid being taken out, and also set on the Table to be Drawn by Blew-Coat Boys of *Christ's Hospital*. London.

The Numbred Tickets as well as the Blanks and Prizes are all to be opened and Read aloud, and in a Book Entred, and after Filed up. Which way of Proceeding, 'tis Hoped, will Content all Persons Concerned in this Profitable Adventure; for whose further Satisfaction, such Prizes as shall daily be Drawn will the next day be Printed.

The Prizes Drawn Nov. the First, 1693. are as following:

No.	l.
48953 first Drawn	100
1696	100
8801	20
11733	100
17122	20
37828	40
36521	2000
11348	20
36805	20
18548	100

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Sir, *F R A N C I S F A N E*

The Younger.

FIRST, The Bill setteth forth, that upon his Marriage he settled the Mannor of *Firbeck*, and Lands thereunto belonging, lying in the County of *York*, upon several Trustees, to the use of himself for Life; the Remainder to *Hannah* his Wife for her Joynture; the Remainder to the Heirs Males of the Body of the said Sir *Francis Fane* on the Body of the said *Hannah* his Wife, the Remainder to the Right Heirs of Sir *Francis Fane* in Fee; so there is no other Remainder limited in the said conveyance, which might be cut off, if Sir *Francis* and his Wife, and the Trustees had joyned, they might have made a good Estate, without an Act of Parliament.

But there being a Lease for ninety nine years, of the same Mannor, and Lands to other Trustees, for a Provision for Daughters Portions begotten by Sir *Francis* on the Body of his said Wife, in case there were no Heirs Males: If the said Trustees had suffered a Recovery of this Estate, and the effect of the first Conveyance ceasing, would have come in upon them, and vested in Interest; so that this Lease without an Act of Parliament cannot be unsettled; nor can any good Estate be made, to a Purchaser. The Act further sets forth, that there being some incumbrances upon the said Mannor of *Firbeck*, undischarged before the said settlement: and that he the said Sir *Francis* hath contracted some Debts since, is desirous that the said Debts might be paid, and Incumbrances discharged: But having no other Lands which he can expose to sale, which will be sold at so good a rate, as the said Mannor of *Firbeck*, The said Sir *Francis* hath prevailed with *John Rushworth* Father of the said *Hannah*, and with the Trustees to consent to the sale thereof, provided always, that the said Sir *Francis* do settle an Estate equivalent, to the value of the said Mannor and Premises.

And it is particularly expressed in the said Act, what Estate the said Sir *Francis* doth settle, in lieu of the said Mannor, as a Provision for a Joynture for his said Wife, for the good of the Heirs Males, and for Daughters Portions in case of no Heirs Males; and hath (by Deed in Writing under his Hand and Seal) settled that Estate accordingly in case it please the Parliament to pass this Act; wherein the consent of all parties doth concur accordingly.

(Numb. 2, 3.)

* Note that m signifies 1000

The Prizes Drawn *Novemb.* the Second 1693. are as following,

No.		l.
23 m	120	40.
40 m	360	40.
40 m	364	20.
47 m	850	50.
4 m	967	40.
14 m	496	300.
30 m	741	40.
43 m	279	20.
23 m	268	20.
35 m	055	100.
14 m	445	20.
17 m	818	50.
36 m	940	200.
2 m	171	20.
31 m	858	40.
19 m	935	40.
48 m	237	40.
39 m	751	20.
30 m	750	2500.

The Prizes Drawn *Novemb.* the Third 1693. are as following,

No.		l.
5 m	338	50
25 m	740	40
3 m	625	20
9 m	387	20
4 m	954	100
19 m	181	20
7 m	385	20
26 m	609	50
11 m	067	20
1 m	383	20
34 m	926	20
28 m	994	40
3 m	024	100
28 m	733	20
36 m	340	20
46 m	020	50
42 m	848	50
37 m	762	20
37 m	161	100
49 m	208	40
4 m	811	20
9 m	552	50
43 m	150	50
4 m	096	50
38 m	408	20
37 m	488	40

Note, That Numb. 21 m 71, was Mistaken by the Printer in the Second Days drawing, which ought to have been 2 m 171. Prize 20 l.

This is a True Account of the Lots drawn *Novemb.* the 1st. 2d. and 3d.

T H O. N E A L E.

The Drawing will daily continue till ended, and an Account of every Days Lots will be Printed and Published every Morning, by F. Collins, in the Old Bailey. 1693.

K. M. G. (1)

To the Honourable the Commons of England in Parliament Assembled; Is humbly Represented to You a short View or Abstract of several Letters, which I happened to look o're, some time since; which Letters were sent from the Collector of His Majesty's Customs of this Port of Bristol, Directed to Daniel Ballard his Clerk, then Manager of that Revenue in his Absence.

WHICH Letters consist of his being Concern'd in Trade and Shipping, contrary to Act of Parliament, and the diligent Care he took in disposing of the Narrow and Clipt Money, whether for the Interest of the Government, or his own, Your Honors will be the best Judges.

December the 4th, 1693.

A receipt for 10*l.* towards paying a Second Expence for the Ship Betty Privateer, received by Capt. *Earl*, of *Daniel Ballard*, upon Account of the fore-mentioned Collector.

The 7th of December, 1693.

As to the Betty Privateer, you must pay my Share till she can Sayl.

Another of the same Month.

I am glad the Privateer is Sayled.

February the 24th 94.

Let me hear how things go on: I am sorry there is any Loss at the Glafs-House, but that must be as well as others: I should be glad to hear you had Custom enough for your Bottles; the Betty Privateer got well and quick.

April the 10th, 1694.

Go to Capt. *Earl*; give him my Service, and desire to know what he hath done for the Owners towards defraying of our Great Charge. I desire to know what he hath done: I hope some good for Us, which I desire to know, and what the Privateer is to do farther.

April the 14th, 1694.

If the *Joseph*, or any Ship Arrives where M^r. *Cavey* is concern'd in, let me know; I mean by M^r. *Cavey*, that any Ship he is concern'd in; Immediately give me Notice.

Novemr.

(2)

November 17, 1694.

If any Money should be drawn upon you to pay by Mr. *Knight*, or any other hand, for the Officers or Soldiers that Quarter in *Bristol*, pay none till you acquaint me, or that they do agree to allow for such Return 3^d per Pound; this I will have, if you pay any upon Return, for the Soldiers Use and Quarters.

November the 22th, 1694.

I shall fend down *Capias*'s very suddenly against all the Merchants to take them all up, and hold them to Special Bayl; therefore Acquaint Mr. *Carey*, Mr. Alderman *Pope*, and other Friends, for 'twill not be in my Power to serve them any longer. Once more I desire you to speak to Mr. *Carey*, Mr. *Pope*, and other Friends.

The last of *January*, 1694.

Mr. Alderman *Pope* must pay all, but deliver the inclosed; but say nothing of it. See what he says to you about my Money; Read Alderman *Pope*'s Letter inclosed; Seal it, and take his Answer and fend it to me.

March 10th, 1694.

Bring up all the Bonds due to the King; also those Bonds of *Stancome* and *Wheeler*; as to that Bond of Mr. *Carey*'s, given last Year, leave that in the Iron Chest.

May the 2^d 96.

Remember after the fourth of *May*, to buy bad Silver by the Ounce, or else 3 s. or 4 s. in the Pound for broad Money the People will give; Be sure cull out all the broad Money, and keep it till I come home to order it, not letting any body know it; Mind what I now say to you, I mean People will give bad Silver and small Clipt for broad Money, as they do here 20 s. bad ~~per~~ Clipt for 16 s. broad and passable Money.

Another

My Service to Mr. *Bayly*; you may acquaint him if he hath any bad Silver Money, now is the time to be rid of it.

October the 29th, 1696.

We have made a Vote that Clipt Money and Hammer'd Silver Money shall go by Weight at 5 s. 2^d by the Ounce betwixt Man and man, and in Taxes and at the Mint, for 5 s. 8^d by the Ounce, as now; therefore keep this to your self, and get what Weighty Hammer'd Money you can, which we may make the 8^d Advantage of; Mind this.

These Letters with many others, were deliver'd into the Hands of Esq; *Henly* of this City; with a Note under the hand of Mr *Jo. Elbridge* his own Writing, containing a Particular of several Summs of bad and Clipt Money, paid into the King's Receipt by the forementioned Collector, and others; which note will lead Your Honors to a further Inquiry into the many Frauds and Concealments of this place. This I do for the Interest of the Government, and Service of my Country, as I am

Bristol Jan. 3^d

Your Honours most faithful

humble Servant.

G. M.



(2)

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If any Money should be drawn upon you to pay by Mr. Knight, or any other hand, for the Officers or Soldiers that Quarter in *Bristol*, pay none till you acquaint me, or that they do agree to allow for such Return 3^d per Pound; this I will have, if you pay any upon Return, for the Soldiers Use and Quarters.

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I shall send down *Capias*'s very suddenly against all the Merchants to take them all up, and hold them to Special Bayl; therefore Acquaint Mr. Carey, Mr. Alderman Pope, and other Friends, for 'twill not be in my Power to serve them any longer. Once more I desire you to speak to Mr. Carey, Mr. Pope, and other Friends.

The last of January, 1694.

Mr. Alderman Pope must pay all, but deliver the inclosed; but say nothing of it. See what he says to you about my Money; Read Alderman Pope's Letter inclosed; Seal it, and take his Answer and send it to me.

March 10th, 1694.

Bring up all the Bonds due to the King; also those Bonds of *Stancome* and *Wheeler*; as to that Bond of Mr. Carey's, given last Year, leave that in the Iron Chest.

May the 2^d 96.

Remember after the fourth of May, to buy bad Silver by the Ounce, or else 3 s. or 4 s. in the Pound for broad Money the People will give; Be sure cull out all the broad Money, and keep it till I come home to order it, not letting any body know it; Mind what I now say to you, I mean People will give bad Silver and small Clipt for broad Money, as they do here 20 s. bad ~~now~~ Clipt for 16 s. broad and passable Money.

Another

My Service to Mr. Bayly; you may acquaint him if he hath any bad Silver Money, now is the time to be rid of it.

October the 29th, 1696.

We have made a Vote that Clipt Money and Hammer'd Silver Money shall go by Weight at 5 s. 2^d by the Ounce betwixt Man and man, and in Taxes and at the Mint, for 5 s. 8^d by the Ounce, as now; therefore keep this to your self, and get what Weighty Hammer'd Money you can, which we may make the 8^d Advantage of; Mind this.

These Letters with many others, were deliver'd into the Hands of Esq; *Henly* of this City; with a Note under the hand of Mr *Jo. Elbridge* his own Writing, containing a Particular of several Summs of bad and Clipt Money, paid into the King's Receipt by the forementioned Collector and others; which note will lead Your Honors to a further Inquiry into the many Frauds and Concealments of this place. This I do for the Interest of the Government, and Service of my Country, as I am

Bristol Jan. 3^d

Your Honours most faithful

humble Servant.

G. M.



Counter Queries.

AS the restless Spirits of a Party of Men among us are ever busie, spreading Divisions, and raising Factions, at a time, when the greatest Union imaginable is absolutely necessary, both to support the Alliance in a Time of a Tedious and Expensive War, and to discourage her Majesty's Enemies, who oppose both her Person and Government in behalf of the Pretender: So it is remarkable, that an unusual, and indeed an unheard of Invasion of her Majesty's undoubted Prerogative, is made the Great and Leading Argument in the Mouths of these People, to propagate their Wicked Designs; as if her Majesty had not the same undoubted Right to choose by what Instruments the Administration of the Government shall be carry'd on, as she has to the Government it self: As if her Majesty's Servants were to be put upon her by her Subjects; or that they had an hereditary Title to the Offices they possess'd.

Not content with this, They are now busie in suggesting to the People, That the Nations Peace is endanger'd by the Queen's displacing a few Men about her, who (having so long govern'd her Affairs, that they began to claim an exclusive Right to it) would fain perswade us, no Body could do it but themselves; and plainly tell her Majesty, They are injur'd in being remov'd; Tho' like the Servant, who having staid too long in a good Place begins to play the Mistress; They began to treat the Queen with unsufferable Insolence, and thought it hard to let the Queen bestow a Regiment in the Army, where Merit, and her Majesty's Judgment, directed.

Tho' these things speak for themselves, and need no Explication; yet since the Age is very apt to be impos'd upon, and a certain Party are very busie to impose upon them; They who are not resolv'd to be self-deluded, nor willing to be deluded by others, may ask themselves the following Questions.

- I. *Whether*, since the Queen has always govern'd by Law, and maintain'd her Subjects in their just Liberties, it is not reasonable her Majesty should a little enjoy some Liberties of her own?
- II. *Whether*, if the Queen may not place and displace her Servants, as she sees fit, without giving an Account of the Reasons *Why*; her Majesty has not something less Authority, than every Citizen's Wife claims in the Common Government of her Family?
- III. But since Reasons are expected from her Majesty in this Case, *Whether* the exorbitant Ambition of a Family, which the present Complainers were within few Months as warm against, and as dissatisfy'd with, as now they seem fond of, is not a sufficient Reason?
- IV. *Whether* the People of *England* are not strangely alter'd, who are particularly remark'd in the World, for their being Jealous of the too Great Growth of Favorites; That they should now desire to promote what they have always apprehended was dangerous to their Liberties?
- V. *Whether*, to pin down the Queen to the Administration of a Sett of Men, whom her Majesty saw good Grounds to be weary of, was not next Door to Voting her Majesty either Idiot or Lunatick, That She should require to have her Servants become her Governours?

VI. *Whether*

- VI. *Whether*, supposing all the Merit the Family pretends to, were true; The Enjoying the greatest Places and Profits of the Nation for near Ten Years, is not a sufficient Reward to them: and *whether* in those Ten Years, it cannot be made appear, They have among them gain'd from the Nation, above *Twenty hundred thousand Pounds*?
- VII. *Whether*, if they sit down with this Treasure, and are not call'd to an Account for the Exorbitances they have amass'd it by; They do not enjoy a different Fate from all the Favorites that have ever gone before 'em; and withal, something more than they have Reason to expect?
- VIII. *What Reason* can be given, more than the already Exhausted Wealth of the Nation, *Why* the New Ministry should not manage the Nation's Treasure as honestly, as frugally, and as successfully as the Old?
- IX. *Whether* the Nation's Credit, of which so much Noise is made, may not as well be supported by the present Commissioners, as by the Old; and *Whether* the Navy and Victualling-Bills running at 30 per Cent. Discount, are any Proof of the National Credit?
- X. *Whether* the Resolution taken by some People to run down the Publick Credit, in order to oblige the Queen by force to come again into their Hands, is not as much a Plot upon the Nation as upon the Queen; and *Whether* it is not an evident Proof, that these Men have less Concern for the National Interest, than for their Party?
- XI. *Whether*, after all the Boasts of the Party, it will be in their Power, to ruin the National Credit, tho' they should keep as much Money out of the Public, as they can?
- XII. *Whether* it is not as much the Advantage of that Party to put in their Money, as it is the Governments to receive it; and *Whether* the Interest of the Funds has not been as necessary to the People, as the Loan of Money has been to the Government?
- XIII. *Whether*, suppose the Party should gain their Point, and cause a general Stagnation of Credit, (which they cannot do) who do they think to injure by this Matter, the NEW MINISTRY, who are accountable for nothing in it, or THEMSELVES? And if either an unsettled Peace, or an unsuccessful War, should be the necessary Consequences of it, who ought to be DE WITTED for it, The New Ministry, or the Party?
- XIV. *Whether*, in Case such a general Refusal of Lending Money as is suggested, should be brought to pass; the Parliament of Britain may not find a way to carry on the War, without any New Loans; and perhaps a little particularly at the Expence of the Party that would hinder it?
- XV. *Whether*, if the Parliament should be oblig'd to take such Measures, the Party would not justly incur the Indignation of the People of England, for bringing that necessity upon 'em?
- XVI. *Whether* the Duke of Marlborough has any hereditary Title to the Command of the Army of Britain; and *Whether* the Successes are a Title to him to make Claim to that Command during the War?
- XVII. *Whether* God's Blessing upon her Majesty's Arms, to which all our Successes are owing, is a Peculiar to the Queen, to the Protestant Interest of Europe, or to the Person of the General?
- XVIII. *Whether* offering the Command to the Elector of Hannover is not a convincing Evidence, that the New Ministry have receiv'd Bribes from France, and are in the Interest of the Pretender; And *Whether* they who suggest such a Thing, without being able to prove it, do not Merit the Gallows equally with a Murderer?

S P E E C H

Lately Made by a

Noble Peer of the Realm.

TO THE

PARLIAMENT.

My L—ds and G—ts,

IN this great Debate concerning the K—s Sp— the sad State and Condition we are in, and the Remedies thereof; I have Offered You my Opinion, and many L—ds have spoken admirably of it, well to with great Freedom and Plainness, as the Cause requires,

But my L—ds, what I rose up to speak, was to my L—d of the B—, that spoke last, and sits behind me; Who, as he hath the greatest Influence in our present Councils, so he hath let fall to you the very Root of the matter, and the Hinges upon which all turns; He tells you that the H—e of C—s have lately made offers to the K—g, and he wonders we do not expect the K—gs Answer to them, before we come into so hot and high Debates.

He tells you, if the K—g be assured of Supplies we cannot doubt of his Compliance in this and all we can ask; for otherwise the K—g should fall into that, that is the worst condition of a P—, to have his People have no confidence in him. My L—ds, This is that I know they put the K—g upon, and this is that we must be ruined by, if we may not with Freedom and Plainness open our Case.

My L—ds, 'Tis a very hard thing to say that we cannot trust the K—; and that we have already been deceived so often, that we see Plainly the apprehensions of Discontent in the People, is no Argument at Court. And though our P— be in himself an Excellent Person, that the People have the greatest Inclinations imaginable to Love Him; But how plain and how many are the proofs of the Design to murder him?

My L—ds, I hear of a Bargain in the H—e of C—s, and an Address made to the K—g; but this I know, and must boldly say it and plainly, that the N—n is Betray'd if upon any Terms we part with our Money till we are sure the K— is ours; have what Laws you will, and what Conditions you will, be of no use but waste Paper before Easter, if the C—t have Money to set up for P— and A—y Designs in the mean while.

On the other Hand give me leave to tell you, my L—ds, the K—g hath no reason to distrust his People; no man can go home and say, that if the K—g comply with his People they will do nothing for him, but take all up from him; we want a Government and we want a P— that we may trust, even with the spending of half our Annual Revenue, for some time, for the Preservation of these Nations.

The growing Greatness of the French cannot be stop'd with a little Expence, nor without a real and hearty Union of the K—g and his People. It was never known in England that our P—es wanted Supplies either for their Foreign Designs, or for their Pleasures; nothing ever shut the English Purse but the fears of having their Money used against them.

The hour that the K—g shall satisfy the People, that what we give is not to make us Slaves and Papists, he may have what he will; and this your L—ts know and all mankind that knows us. Therefore let me plainly tell your L—ts, the Arguments that the present Ministers use, is to Destroy the K—, and not Preserve him: For if the K— will first see what we will do for him, it is impossible if we are in our Sences we should do any thing.

But if he will first shew that he is intirely ours, that he Weds the Interest and the Religion of the Nation, 'tis impossible he should want any thing that we can give.

But I see how the Argument will be us'd: Sir, they will do nothing for you, what should you do with these men: But on the other Hand I am bold to say,

Sir, You may have any thing of this Parliament; put a way these Men, change your Principles, change your Court, and be your self; for the K— himself may have any thing of us.

My L—ds, if I have been too plain, I beg your Pardon; I thought it was the Duty of an English Nobleman at this time to speak plain or never.

I am sure I mean well: and if any man can answer or oppose Reason to what I say, I beg they would do it; for I do not desire or propose any Question.

I beg this Debate may last for some dayes; and that we may go to the bottom of the matter, and see if these things are so or no, and what Cure there is of the Evil we are in; and then the Result of your Debates may produce some proper Question.

However, we know who bears, and I am glad of this, that your L—ts have dealt to Honourably and so clearly in the K—s presence and in the K—s hearing, that he cannot say he wants a right State of things; he hath it before him, and may tell his Council as he thinks fit,

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dance, whereof he is a remnant: there is a score of Kings in a Committee, as in the reliques of the Croille there's the number of twenty. This is the Gyant with the handed hands that wields the Scepter, tyrannicall head-roll by which the Kingdome prays backward, and with a kind of *Relax*, at every Curle drops a Committee-man. Let *W*— be wayyed, whole conducting clemency aggravates the deflection, and make *Nero* the question, better a *Nero* than a Committee. There's little exegution by a single buller then by eate thou

Now a Committee man is a party coloured Officer, he must be drawn like *Gams* with Croille and *Plaid* his countenances, as he retires to the Souldiers, or face about to his fleeing the country. Look upon him martially, and he is a Justice of War; one that hath bound his *Dalton* up in Buff, and will needs, be of the *Quorum* to the best Commanders; he is with a *Mars* his Lay-Elders, he shares in the Government, though a Non conformist to his bleeding Rudder; he is the like Secretary in arms as the Patonick is in love, keeps flatter-ing in discomfit, but proves Haggard in the action; he is not of the Souldiers, and yet of the flock; it is an Emblem of the golden Age (and such in deed he makes it) to him, when so tame a Pigeon may commerce with Vulturs. Me thinks a Committee hanging about a Governour, and bandl-ers dangling about a Lord Alkerman, here an Anagrace relievalance; there's no Syntax between a Cap of maintenance and a Helmet: Who ever knew an Enemy routed by a Grand-jury and a *Billa vera*? It is a left handed Garrison where their authority perches; but the more poppetorous the more in fashion: the right Hand fights while the left Hand rules the reines: the Truth is the Souldier, and the Gentlemen are like *Don Quixot* and *Sancha Pancho*, one fights at all adventures to purchase the other the government of the Island. A Committee-man properly should be the Governors Marotte to fit his ruckle, and re-new-firing him with news of War for his chief use, to raise Afflictions in the neighbouring Wapenake.

The Country people being like an Trish Cow, that will not give down her milk untill she see her Calf before her: Hence it is he is the Garrisons dry Nurse, he chews their corn, but then before he feeds them; for the poor Souldiers live like *Freebills*, by picking the teeth of this starved Crocodile.

So much for his Warlike or Ammunition face, which is so preternatural, that is rather a vizard than a face. *Mars* in him hath but a blinking aspect, his face of Arms is like his Coat, *putte per pole*, Souldiers and Gentleman much of a feathering.

Now enter his Flaxing and degliding face, a fyeacing look, like that of *Wolfgang*, as if he were breeding over a clove-shoole. Take him thus, and he

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he is the Inquisition of the purse; an arithmetick Gyffe, that nips your hand with a centring Ordinance; not a Merchant's torture in all the country but bleeds at the touch of this Malefactor. He is the piece of Body politick that twells it fall to the Consumption of the whole; At first indeed he ferreted for the Parliament, but since he hath got of his Cope, he set up for himself, he lives upon the sins of the people, and that's a good standingpin too, he verifies the Axiom, *Isidem auritur ex pingui compariunt*, his diet is faine to his constitution. I have wondered often why the plundered Country-men should repair to him for succour, certainly it is under the same notion as one whole pockets are pickt goes to *Nial Ch-pulse* as the predominant in that faculty.

He out-dives a *D—b* in—, gets a Noble of him that was never worth six pence, for the poorest escape not but *D—b* like, he will be drying even in the driest ground; he alien's a Delinquents estate with as little remorse as his other Holiness gives away an Heretics Kingdome, and for the truth of the delinquency, both Chapmen have as little share of infallibility. Eye is the Grand Sallad of arbitrary Government, Executor to the *Star-Chamber*, and High-Commission; for those Courts are not extinct, they survive in him like Dollars changed into single moneys. To speak the truth, he's the universal Tribunal: For since these times all causes fall to his Cognizance, as in a great infection all diseases of turn to the Plague. It concerns our Matters the Parliament to look about them, if he proceeds at this rate, the *Jak* may come to swallow the *Pike*; as the Interest often eats out the principall. As his commands are given, so he looks for a reverence accordingly. He is very punctual in exacting your hat, and to say right, it is his due; but by the same title, as the upper garment is the vails of the executioner. There was a time when such called would have hardly been taken upon suspicion for men in office, but the old Proverb were renewed, that beggars make a free Company, and to stole their Wardens. You may see what it is to hang together, look upon them severally, and you cannot but flumble for some thirds of charity. But oh they are Iamagants in Conduict! like Fishers who are rogues when they go single, and joyne'd in consort, gentlemen Maistrins. I care not much if I trust my Committee-man, and so give him the receipt of this grand Catholicon. Take a State Marry, one that for his good behaviour hath paid and excide of his ears, so suffered captivity by the Land Piracy of Ship money, next a Primitive freeholder, one that hates the King, because he is a Gentleman transgressing the *Magna Charta* of driving *Adam*. Add to this a mortified Bankrupt that helps out his tale Wagtails with some scraps of confidence, and his presumptory kalts can doom his Prince with a *Meme retel*. Th

A most impartial ACCOUNT sent in a
LETTER from HOLLAND,

To a Person of QUALITY in LONDON,

Concerning

JOHN VANDER SCHEIDAM,
A Dutch Skipper,

Who in his Voyage to the North, met with most Terrible unknown Monsters; most Wonderful Mountainous Icy Islands, upwards of a degree or 60 Miles in Length, which shews by undeniable Arguments, to have been the Real Cause of the late Ten Years Cold, and unaccountable Weather in England, Scotland, &c. With his Promise of a prosperous fair Weather for the future; Confuting the apocryphal Predictions of J. Partridge, &c.

THAS been a common Observation, that for about ten years last past, the Summers have been very unseasonable, which has caused great Scarcity in all the more Northern Parts of Europe, but more particularly in those Countries that are seated nearer the North Pole. The News Letters have given us an Amazing Account of above Forty Thousand that died in one Year of Famine in *Liesland* and the adjacent Provinces. Of this, our Astrologers have Assigned various Reasons; Some have attributed it to a particular Effect of some Constellations, but never could satisfy any Body what they were, and so left it wrapt up in unintelligible Universalities? Others who would be thought more Pious, making Reflection upon the great Annihilation of all sorts of immorality, and the great Growth of Libertinism and Atheism, have attributed it to a particular Judgment of God Almighty. Others, of which there have not been a few here in *England*, have arrived to that pitch of Madnets, that rather than agree with the above-mentioned Reasons, have had the Impudence to assert, That the Earth was removed from its Center; and that by an Earthquake we were all removed several Degrees more Northward, and that we should remain in that Posture till another Dream'd of Earthquake removed us back; and that till then, *France* would remain in the Climate that *England* formerly was in; *England* where *Scotland*, and so of other Parts, which was a melancholy Theme for our great Claret Drinkers, who were not till then to expect

any more *Bordeaux* Wine; and so with Sighs concluded, that the Parliament have saved themselves the Trouble of imposing a Duty upon it, which amounted to a Prohibition. So Learned & conclusive the Reasoning of the Senators of *Bordeaux*.

But we have lately received an Account from a Dutch Skipper belonging to the *Greenland* Trade, that will in a very measure clear up the Difficulty, and at the same time give us a pleasant Prospect of happy Seasons for the future. This reached first the Printed Copy at *Amsterdam*, and then to the Directors of the *Greenland* Company, in that famous City.

John Vander Scheidam, an ancient Skipper of *Amsterdam*, who had a long time followed the *Greenland* Trade, had so considerably Enrich'd himself, that he resolv'd to give it over, and to live at Ease at home with his Wife and Children; which Resolution he put in execution a considerable number of years ago. But going frequently to C. flee houses, and other publick Rendezvous of Merchants, for his Diversion; gave so great Proofs of his Ability, that his Company was extremely covet'd by the Directors of the *Greenland* Company, who look'd upon themselves to be in a sinking Condition, and that nothing was likelier to retrieve them than a Man of his Experience, to direct the Fleet and the Fishery. Accordingly they address'd themselves to him, being then above 70 Years of Age, and promised him considerable Advantages, but found him deaf to all Promises and Rewards; then they remonstrated to him the great Service he would do his Country and Thousands of Poor that depend'd upon that Trade. This gave him so sensible a Touch,

Touch, that he agreed to their Propositions. Accordingly last year early in the Spring, he Embarked, and had a very prosperous Gale, and being arrived at the place which has been frequented by Fleets of late years, for the Whale Fishing; Our Experienced Pilot took an observation, and found they were above twelve degrees short of the place where the ancient Fishing was; whereupon he gave orders to Sail more to the North and by West, but before they were Sailed above half a Degree, which is but ten Leagues, they found the Ocean all of one solid piece of Ice, so that they were forced to return to the place they had left, and make the best of a bad Market; They made but an indifferent Voyage, and returned home at the usual time. Then our Pilot gave the Directors a History Reasons of the failure of the Fishery; But observing the violent Storm that raged last Winter, and especially the prodigious Winds that raged a great part of that season in the North and North West, he concluded with himself, that probably they might break the Ice, and so the Fleet might reach the ancient place of Fishing, offered himself voluntarily a second time. According to his directions, a Fleet was equipped early the Spring of this current year 1699, and our Noble Pilot Embarked in the *Golden-Lyon of Amsterdam*; they found the Winds very high upon the Coast of Norway, and the Season very Cold, but when they came near the height of the North Cape, one of the Seamen who was on the Main-top, cried out, he saw a wonderful light of Castles, Towns, and Mountains, directly before them; in their Course, most of them were amazed, and some thought he was Mad; But after they had few Leagues pursued their Course, they plainly discovered them to be floating Islands of Ice; the Wind which then was violent, beat them one upon another, which made such a dreadful Noise, Yelling and Cracking, that a thousand Cannons discharged all at once, would be but a small imitation of it. But the Wind slackning, they Tack'd about to be free of them, and had them on the Larboard side; some of them were a Degree or 60 Miles long, and of a great breadth. They observ'd upon them a prodigious Quantity of huge white Bears, which live by Catching of Fish; and some Foxes frozen to Death. They made a dreadful Roaring, and some came from the Ice, and some after the Ships, hoping for Prey; Several of them were shot by the Seamen. They no sooner had clear'd themselves of these, but they met others little less, with Ice as high as some Mountains, and some Shaggy Animals bigger than Bears, unknown in those Parts, who made a fearful Roaring. They found abundance

of Bears drowned, who were supposed to have been carried aloft upon the Ice, and as it broke into pieces, and even small Flakes of Ice were dashed, they finding no longer shelter, had constrained themselves to the mercy of the Waves in that wide Ocean, and before they could reach other Icy Islands, were drowned. Upon one of them, a great many Leagues to the Northward of the North Cape, they found a Man and a Woman of *Argny* Stature, not a Yard high, all covered over with Bears-Skins, frozen to death, having several Fishing Instruments about them, and a little Boat made of Fishes Skins, and set out with the Bones of the same Fish, for Seats and other Uses.

The Pilot taking all the Precautions imaginable, happily pursued his Voyage, tho' they run great Risk among these dreadful Islands, and safely arriv'd at the ancient Place of Fishing, where they discovered Whales of a prodigious Bigness, which rais'd Storms by their violent Motion in a Calm, Spouting up of Torrents of Water at their Nostrils. The Pilot having a happy prospect of a good Fishery, presently dispatched an Advice-boat, an excellent Sailor, to the Directors of the Company, who brought this Account.

From this Relation, we may with the greatest probability imagine infer, the True Cause of the late Cold Summers; for the Winds coming from those Parts over a vast Ocean, Frozen into a solid thick Mountains of Ice, for above six hundred Leagues or upwards, and being of perpetual continuance for several years past, could not but cause in these Parts Cold Weather; as the Wind coming from the hot and parch'd Countries of the South, causes heat. Now the Ice being broken to the usual distance, will by degrees dissolve, and so the same Seasons return. And to this Great Frost must be attributed the great Dearness of Train Oil and Whale-bone, and not to the Wars, for Reasons abovementioned, tho' the Wars might be some small Impediment. 'Tis evident by all accounts that the North of Scotland, have suffer'd to a Miracle, being not many Leagues distance from these Icy Islands, having not for these seven years last past, had any Corn come to perfection, whereby to sustain Nature, thousands of them dying for want of Food. And 'tis a evident, That the Inhabitants of the North of England, have bore their Share, for the Corn, by reason of the Coldness of the Weather, in some places, did not come to any perfection at all, in other places to inconsiderable, that it yielded not Seed enough for the ensuing year, that 'tis incredible how many Families have perished for want of Sustainance.



A short Survey of the Loss which is computed to be sustained in England by the Exportation of our Clothing-Wool, one Pack whereof, Weighing 240 Pounds, to be Wrought into fine Broad-Cloth, being sufficient for the Employing of Sixty Three People at hard Labour for a Week; and double such Number if Wrought into Hose.

THIS Pack of Wool to be wrought into fine Broad-Cloth will be a sufficient Employ for the said Sixty Three People for a Week. (*Viz.*)

- 03 Men to Sort, Dye, Dry, Mix and Make the Wool fit for the Scribler or Stock-Carder.
- 05 Men to Scrible or Stock-Card it.
- 20 Women to Spin it.
- 20 Girls to Card it.
- 06 Men to Weave it.
- 02 Boys to Wind Quills.
- 07 Persons (*viz.*) 6 Men and a Boy to Scowre, Burl, Full, Dress, Rack and Press it.

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And the Cloth will then be Worth 50*l.*

	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>
Computing the Wool at	12	00
Dying thereof and other Charges	03	10
Labour and Charge of Working the Wool into Cloth	31	00
The Clothiers Profit	03	10
	50	00

So that deducting the Value of the Wool, and the Clothiers Profit out of the said 50*l.* our Loss will be 34*l.* 10*s.* besides what the King will lose in his Custom.

But if this one Pack of Wool was to be wrought into Hose, for which the King receives 7*d.* Half-peny per Dozen Custom, there would then be employed in the Working thereof double the Number of People, (*viz.*) 126. which would be a double Advantage to us.

Now, according to this Computation of 63 People being employed for a Week by the Working of one Pack of Wool into Cloth, Thirty Thousand Packs, which have been actually Landed in three Ports of France in One Year, &c. (by which the King lost Seventy Five Thousand Pounds Custom) would have employed in our Manufactories One Million Eight Hundred Eighty Nine Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty People; and according to the abovesaid Computation of making the same into Hose, double the Number for the same Year.

What Loss then have our Nation sustained by the Exportation of our Wool, which ought to have been employed in our own Manufactories, &c. for the Maintenance and Support of the Poor, of whom many Thousands are now ready to Starve.

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Considerations on the BILL for Settling the Trade to *Africa*,

Humbly Offered to

The LORDS Spiritual and Temporal in
Parliament Assembled, in behalf of the
Plantations.

THe Bill, as it now stands, Enacts, that a Duty of
Ten *per Cent. ad Valorem*, shall be paid to the
Company, for all Goods Exported, for the Main-
tainance of Forts and Castles.

Which Duty of 10 *per Cent.* is very unreasonable, and a
great deal too much, and that upon these two Accounts :

First, It will fall the heaviest on the Plantations, which can
least bear that Tax, and are most to be regarded, that Duty
being so great, will render the Negroes the dearer to them.

Secondly, It is very unreasonable, to pay the Company so great
a Duty, where they are at no Charge to maintain Forts or
Castles, and at the Places where most of the Negroes are pur-
chased; *viz.* from River *Vultus* to *Angola*, and to Cape *Good-*
hope, which is about 4000 Miles Sea-coast, there is not one
Fort nor Castle, nor any thing like one, nor will the Negroes
permit any to be built : Nor is there any Necessity for them,
for by long Experience we have always found the Negroes
to use kindly, and treat honestly and civilly, all Persons that
come to trade with them, nor ever prejudice any, unless they
are cheated and abused; and since the Company are at no
Charge to maintain Forts nor Castles, it will be a very heavy
Tax on the Plantations, to pay a Duty, only to maintain the
African Company in their Trade to other Places.

The Bill also Enacts several unusual Oaths to be taken be-
fore any Ship can be permitted to sail from *England*, one of
which Oaths is, that the Master of the Ship shall swear, that
the Manifest or Particular by him given in, and signed to, to
the best of his Knowledge or Belief doth contain, specific and ex-

press all the Goods, Wares and Merchandize, which are laden, or intended to be laden, or put on board the Ship.

This Oath is both unreasonable and impossible to be made, without great danger of Perjury; and that upon these two Accounts.

1. It is unreasonable, in regard the Masters business is only to give a Manifest or Content of the Marks and Numbers of every Parcel of Goods loaden on board his Ship; for it cannot be supposed the Master should know what sort of Goods the Merchant packs up, much less to swear to it.

2. It is impossible for a Master to swear what any Merchant intends to load on board his Ship, his Duty being only to take them on board when sent, and at his clearing at *Custom-house*, to give an Account of the Marks and Numbers of each Parcel, and by whom shipped, yet all this is to be done under the penalty of Forfeiture of Ship and Goods, and the danger of Perjury into the Bargain.

The Bill also Enacts, that the Master and one of the Owners shall enter into Bonds, in the penalty of the Value of Ship and Goods, that the Ship shall sail directly from *England* to the Coast of *Africa*, and from thence directly to the Plantations, or to *England*.

This Bond is very unreasonable, and destructive to the Trade it self, and that upon three Accounts:

(1.) It will discourage and lessen the Trade, few Merchants that are worth any thing, will willingly enter into such Bonds, where the Penalties are so great, and the Conditions so hard to be performed, (always answerable for anothers Actions) for suppose the Master never so honest, yet his Men may mutiny and run away with the Ship, as they did two years ago with one of the Companies Ships, called the *Hanibal*, which Ship in her roving took another Ship, called the *Eagle*, and carried her to *Brazeel*; the *Hanibal* also met another Ship, called the *William*, who was never heard of since; the Master may dye, as often they do in those Voyages, then the Care and Charge of the Ship falls on some other Persons; and to be bound to make Good all their Digressions and Miscarriages, will be very hard, this being to punish a Man for a Crime he did not commit, nor could any ways prevent.

(2.) It is very unreasonable and severe, that after the Adventurer hath by the former Misfortunes lost both Ship and Goods,

Goods, he should be forced to lose as much more, and pay so severely for his Industry:

(3.) This being bound to sail directly to the Coast of *Africa*, is very destructive to that Trade, and that upon two Accounts:

First, Several Commodities not being to be had in *England*, without which the Trade to *Africa* for Negroes cannot be carried on, viz. Cowries, Black and White Bafts, Brawles, and some painted Callicoes, those being the Goods most proper to purchase Negroes, so that the greatest part of this Mischief will fall upon the Plantations.

Secondly, This restraining the Liberty to procure Goods proper for the Negro Trade, is contrary to any Law now in force, and will put the Trader under the greatest Disadvantages and Difficulties, and at the same time make it easie and advantagious to the *Scotch*, *Dutch* and *French*, who will hereby be enabled to beat us quite out, and give them the whole Advantage of that profitable Trade with the *Spanish West-Indies*, which they can by no other way attain to. Wherefore such a Liberty, whereon so much depends, can never be the Interest of this Nation to restrain; no Law having as yet prohibited such Liberty of Trade, and is therefore humbly hoped no New Law may be made, which is attended with such ill Consequences.

The Result of these Considerations must terminate in these two Points: *First*, It will be too dangerous, troublesome and hazardous, to engage in this Trade: And then, *Secondly*, Shall conclude it will be better to lay it aside, and let our Ships lye by the Walls, than be perpetually in danger of being ruined.

By this means the Plantations will suffer for want of Negroes to carry on their Work; there is not a Negroe but makes as much Commodity in a Year, either Sugar, Tobacco, Indigo, &c. as will load one Tun of Shipping, the Increase of which Product will largely increase the Consumption of the *English* Woollen Manufacture, Incourage Navigation, and Augment the Revenue of the Crown.

A great Quantity of the Product of our Plantation Commodities, will enable the *English* Merchant to make large Exportations to Foreign Markets, and put them into a Capacity to undersell all other Nations which vye with us in the same Commodities, which will not only discourage their Plantations, but encourage our own.

The Planters humbly Hope, the Care of the Plantations Interest and Welfare, will be of greater Moment to your Lordships than any Company with a Joynt-Stock can pretend to.

NOTES

ON

Mr. Danvers's Case.

Note. 1. That an *Estate Tail* was not forfeitable for *Treason* till the Statute of 26 H. 8. Chap. 13.

Stat. 26 H. 8.
13 Chap. 13th
Paragraph.

2. That Statute makes an *Estate Tail* forfeitable by these words. *Ec* it Enacted, &c. That every Offender or Offenders, being hereafter lawfully Convict of any manner of High-Treasons, by Presentment, Confession, Verdict, or Process of Outlawry, according to the due Course and Custom of the Common Laws of this Realm, shall loose and forfeit to the King's Highness, his Heirs and Successors, *All such Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, which any such Offender shall have, of any Estate of Inheritance, in Use or Possession by any Right, Title, or Means.*

Note. 1. The Person *must be Attaint*, before he forfeits any thing by this Act.

2. That after Attainder, he shall forfeit all *such Lands* as he hath any Estate of Inheritance in, whether it be an Inheritance in Tail, or in Fee-Simple; The words being not (*All his Lands*), but *All such Lands as he hath any Inheritance in.*

Note. 1. That Sir *John Danvers* is not Convict or Attainted, and so forfeits nothing by this Act.

Stat. 12 Car. 2.

2. That by the Act of Indemnity, Sir *John Danvers* is pardon'd the Attainder, and all the Consequents of it, upon his Estate. That: being excepted only to such Forfeitures as should be inflicted. So that if the Act of Pains and Penalties had not passed, he had forfeited nothing.

Note. That the Act of Pains and Penalties does not say Sir *John* shall forfeit, as in Case of High-Treason, or as it is in the Statute of 26 H. 8. *All such Lands as he had any Estate of Inheritance in*; but that *All the Mannors, Messuages, Lands, &c.* of him the said Sir *John Danvers*, &c. shall be forfeited: which is no more, than Sir *John Danvers* shall forfeit all his Mannors, his Lands, &c. that is, *all his Right in them*; but not an Estate Tail, which is his *Issues*.

Stat. 13 Car. 2.
15 Chap. 2^d
Paragraph.

Note. The Difference betwixt the Statute of H. 8. which makes Estates Tail forfeitable, and the Act of Pains and Penalties which makes Sir *John Danvers's* Estate forfeited.

The first says, A Person Convict of Treason shall forfeit *all such Lands as he hath any Estate of Inheritance in*, and consequently an Estate Tail, for that is an Estate of Inheritance.

The other says, *All the Lands, &c.* of Sir *John Danvers* shall be forfeited: That is, Sir *John Danvers* shall forfeit *all his Lands*; which is no more than his Right in them, which is only a Fee-Simple, for the Entail is another's Right.

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K. England. — Parl. — House of Lords.

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factures of the *Plantations*, Cheap, must be by making the Labour of the *People* in those Countries as Cheap as possible; *Labour* being the chief *Material* in producing those *Commodities*.

It is not possible to get *White People* enough, to Manage the *Plantations*; therefore it must be done by *Negroes*, or the *Plantations* must be ruined: and if the high Prices, or difficulty of Procuring *Negroes*, enable other *Nations* to Under-Sell any of the aforementioned *Commodities*, that *Plantation* whose *Commodities* are so Under-Sold, must of necessity be ruined; which will be a very great Prejudice to *England* likewise, by the loss of so much *Trade*,

To avoid all these *Inconveniences* and *Dangers*, great Care should be taken; because other *Nations* do at this time, in some measure, make most of those *Commodities* which the *English Plantations* produce; and all Encouragement imaginable ought to be given to the Importation of *Negroes* on the easiest Terms, into the *Plantations*; every *Negro* there employing yearly at least a Tun of Shipping, to bring to *England* the Produce of his Labour. So that the more *Negroes* are in the *Plantations*, the more the *English Navigation* is increased; and the more *English Manufactures* are consumed.

But this Bill in many Particulars lays great Hardships, and almost insuperable Difficulties on the Trade to *Africa*, and consequently hinders the *Plantations* from being supplied with *Negroes*. Therefore 'tis humbly conceived to be prejudicial to *England*.

To pass by very many things, which in other Cases might be of weight, the Greatest *Objections* against this Bill are Three.

First, The Duty of 10 l. per Cent. imposed by this Bill upon the Trade, is very Burthensom and Discouraging, and indeed, more than is necessary, to defray the Charges the Company pretend to be at; the private Traders, who 'tis Humbly presumed, understand the Trade, at least as well as the Company, have always offer'd to Maintain the Forts and Castles, for 5 l. per Cent. on the Exportation only; but the Company not content with 10 l. per Cent. on the Export, have obtained a Duty upon part of the Importation also; but that (however considerable it is in it's self,) the *Plantations* will not insist upon, their chief care at present, being only to preserve themselves from that Ruin which is so nigh them.

The greatest part of the *Negro-Trade*, is between the River *Voltus* and Cape *Good-Hope*, which is about 4000 Miles Sea-Coast; in all which space, the Company have no Forts or Castles, nor will the *Natives* permit them to build any, and consequently cannot give any Protection to that part of the Trade.

Therefore 'tis Humbly Proposed, That, that Trade which chiefly concerns the *Plantations*, may be wholly exempted from Paying any Duty; it seeming unreasonable they should be burthen'd with a Duty, to support a Trade, of which they have little or no Advantage.

Secondly, So many unusual Oaths, Bonds, Restraints, and Penalties are imposed upon the Traders to *Africa*, that 'tis very difficult for any one to Trade, without being perpetually in danger of Ruin; and 'tis almost (if not altogether) impossible for the Merchants and Masters of

of



of Ships, to take the *Oaths* prescribed in this *Bill*, without being forsworn.

'Tis humbly propos'd, That the African Company may have the same Bonds and Oaths for securing their Interests, that the King hath in like Cases.

Thirdly, The last and greatest *Objection* against this *Bill*, is, That instead of making the *Trade* more easy than formerly, it makes it more difficult than ever.

There are certain *Commodities*, without which, the *Trade* to some parts of *Africa* cannot be carried on, as *Cowries*, (which are a sort of Shells, that pass among the *Negroes* for Money,) *Black and White Bafts*, *Brawles*, and several sorts of *Painted Calicoes*; these *Commodities* are not to be had in *England*, nor can be in some years; the *Method* hath been of late, to touch in *Holland*, and take in those *Goods*, and go thence strait to the *Coast of Africa*, which does not interfere with the *Act of Navigation*; but this *Bill* prohibits that, under severe *Penalties*; and those *Goods* cannot be brought into *England*, because the *Act of Navigation* makes 'em become *Forfeit*; so, that no way is left for the *Private Traders*, either from *England* or the *Plantations*, to procure those *Goods*; and without 'em, the *Trade to Africa*, and consequently the *Plantations*, must inevitably be ruined. This is a *Truth* that the *Company* themselves know, and must confess.

For Remedy of this, 'tis Humbly Propos'd, either that Liberty be given to buy those Goods where they are to be had, as they might do, before this Bill forbid it; or, that those Goods may be Imported into England by License, as Spice is now Imported.

But, perhaps it will be said, That all these *Inconveniencies* would be as hard upon the *Company* as upon *Others*; and, if there was any real *Weight* in what has been said, the *Company* would likewise oppose the *Passing* of this *Bill*.

For Answer to which, 'tis Humbly Offer'd; First, That the worse the *Trade* is managed under this *Regulation*, the stronger will the *Companies* Arguments be hereafter, to have it again settled in them *Exclusive* of all others, as not being to be manag'd any other way.

Secondly, They have not *Traded* much to those *Southern Parts* of the *Coast of Africa*, where the most *Negroes* are to be had, and where the *Goods* afore-mentioned are so very necessary, but have employ'd their *Stock* more upon the *Trade of Gold, Ivory, Dying-Wood, Wax, &c.*

Thirdly, But if for the future, they shall intend to go into the *Negroe-Trade*, they may contract with other *Nations* to deliver those *Goods* to them at their *Factories* upon the *Coast of Africa*, and thereby exempt themselves from paying part of that *Duty* which they exact of *Others*; and not only so, but invite other *Nations* into that *Trade*, to the prejudice of *England*, and the *Navigation* thereof: How reasonable it is to permit this, is Humbly submitted.

But if these things be done by the *Company*, other *People* cannot do the same, because they have no *Factories*, nor can any *private Trader* bear the *Charge* of keeping a *Factor* constantly in *Africa*; so, that the *Plantations* must again fall under the intolerable *Oppression* of being wholly subject to this *Company*; and how grievous that will be, *Experience* (too dearly bought) has already assured Them.

Objections against,
AND
AMENDMENTS
TO THE
African **BILL**



IT is this day Ordered by the House of Commons now assembled in Parliament, That the Preamble, together with the Protestation, which the Members of this House made the third of May, shall be forthwith Printed, and the Copies Printed brought to the Clerk of the said House, to attest under his hand, to the end that the Knights, Citizens, and Burgeses may send them down to the Sheriffs and Justices of Peace of the severall Shires, and to the Citizens and Burgeses of the severall Cities, Boroughs, and Cinque Ports, respectively. And the Knights, Citizens, and Burgeses, are to intimate unto the Shires, Cities, Boroughs, and Cinque Ports, with what willingness all the Members of this House made this Protestation: And further to signifye, that as they justifie the taking of it in themselves, so they cannot but approve it in all such as shall take it.

WE the Knights, Citizens, and Burgeſſes of the Common Houſe in Parliament, finding, to the great grief of our hearts, that the deſignes of the Priests and Jeſuites, and other Adherents to the See of Rome, have of late been more boldly and frequently put in practice then formerly, to the undermining and danger of the ruine of the true reformed Protestant Religion in His Majesties Dominions established: And finding also that there have been, and having just cause to suspect that there still are, even during this sitting in Parliament, endeavours to subvert the fundamentall Laws of England and Ireland, and to introduce the exercise of an Arbitrary and Tyrannicall Government, by most pernicious and wicked Councils, Practices, Plots, and Conspiracies: And that the long intermission, and unhappy breach of Parliaments, hath occasioned many illegal Taxations, whereupon the Subject hath been profecuted and grieved: And that divers Innovations and Superstitions have been brought into the Church; multitudes driven out of His Majesties Dominions; Jealousies raised and fomented betwixt the King and His People; a Popish Army leaved in Ireland, and two Armies brought into the bowels of this Kingdom, to the hazard of His Majesties Royall Person, the consumption of the Revenues of the Crown, and Treasure of this Kingdom: And lastly, finding great cause of Jealousie, that endeavours have been, and are used to bring the English Army into a misunderstanding of this Parliament, thereby to incline that Army, with force to bring to passe those wicked Councils, Have therefore thought good to joyn our selves in a Declaration of our united Affections and Resolutions, and to make this ensuing Protestation.

IA. B. do in the presence of Almighty God, Promise, Vow, and Protest, to maintain and defend, as far as lawfully I may, with my life, power, and estate, the true Reformed Protestant Religion, expressed in the Doctrine of the Church of England against all Popery and Popish Innovations within this Realm, contrary to the same Doctrine, and according to the duty of my Allegiance, His Majesties Royall Person, Honour, and Estate; As also the Power and Priviledges of Parliament; The lawfull Rights and Liberties of the Subject, and every person that maketh this Protestation, in whatsoever he shall do in the lawfull pursuance of the same. And to my power, and as far as lawfully I may, I will oppose, and by all good wayes and means endeavour to bring to condigne punishment, all such as shall either by Force, Fraile, Councels, Plots, Conspiracies or otherwise, do any thing to the contrary of any thing in this present Protestation contained. And further, that I shall in all just and Honourable wayes endeavour to preserve the Union and Peace between the three Kingdoms of England, Scotland, and Ireland; And neither for hope, fear, nor other respect, shall relinquish this Promise, Vow, and Protestation.

WHereas some doubts have been raised by severall persons out of this House, concerning the meaning of these words contained in the Protestation lately made by the Members of this House, (viz.) *The unreformed Protestant Religion, as professed in the Doctrine of the Church of England against all Popery and Popish Innovations within this Realm, contrary to the same doctrine.* This House doth declare, That by these words, was and is meant, only the publique Doctrine professed in the said Church, so farre as it is opposite to Popery and Popish Innovations; And that the said words are not to be extended to the maintaining of any form of Worship, Discipline, or Government, nor of any Rites or Ceremonies of the said Church of England.

Die Veneris 30. Julii. 1641.

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That this House doth conceive that the Protestation made by them, is fit to be taken by every person that is well affected in Religion, and to the good of the Common-wealth; And therefore doth declare, That what person soever shall not take the Protestation, is unfit to beare Office in the Church or Common-wealth.

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Resolved upon the Question.

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That these Votes shall be Printed and Attested under the Clerks hand.

Die Sabbati 8. Ianuarii, 1641

At the Committee of the House of Commons appointed to sit in *London* to consider of the safety of the Kingdom and of the City of *London*, and of vindicating the Privileges of *Parliament*.

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Resolved upon the Question.
That this Vote shall be made known to the Common Councill of the City of London.
John Wilde Sergeant at Law sitting in the Chaire of that Committee.

THE

OF

John Coombes, Valentine Houselman, and Edward Pearce.

THE Duke of Buckingham having settled his Estate on Doctor Thomas Spratt, now Lord Bishop of Rochester, Sir Robert Clayton, and John Wildman Esquire. In Trust for payment of 5000 l. per Annum to the Duke himself, and for payment of his Debts in a Schedule to the Deeds of trust annexed, and such other Debts as the Duke should appoint; And the surplus for the said Duke. And the said Duke being minded to build a House at Clifden, and that the Workmen should be paid out of his said Truſted Estate, by a Deed poll, dated the 24th of Auguſt 1676. declared and appointed, That the Truſtees out of Money to be raised out of the said Truſted Estate, by Sale or otherwise, should be ſaved harmleſs, and reimburse themselves such Monies as they should pay or be engaged to pay for the said Duke, though the same should cross the former Truſts, or upon what Account soever it should be. And the said Duke by the said John Wildman, his Truſtee and Agent, propoſed to the said Workmen, That if they would do the Plaiſters, Joyners and Carvers Works in the said Building, they should be paid out of the said Truſted Estate. And accordingly the 17th of March 1676. the said Duke in the said Work-mens preference wrote and signed a Paper Writing, directed to the said John Wildman one of his Truſtees, whereby he appointed him to pay the said Workmen, which was done to the intent that the said John Wildman should be authorized to pay the said Workmen out of the said Truſted Estate. And the said Duke declared, That his whole Truſted Estate should be lyable to make Satisfaction for what the said Mr. Wildman should pay, or be engaged to pay to the said Workmen. Without which the said Workmen would not have done the said Works. And the said Duke appointed Surveyors to survey and value the said Works, and appointed the said John Wildman to pay such Bills as should be Signed by his said Surveyors. And the said John Wildman in Purſuance of the said Duke's said Declaration and Appointment, employed the said Workmen to do the said Works, and promised to pay them for the same. And the several Works done by the said Workmen, were viewed, surveyed and approved, and the Prizes thereof aſcertained by the said Duke's Surveyors, who signed the said Workmens Bills, and the same were from time to time entered in a Book, kept by the said John Wildman, by the said Duke's direction for that purpose, and the Book signed by the said Duke's Surveyors, to the intent, That the said John Wildman might with more ſafety and certainty pay the said Monies. And the said Duke's Agents, in purſuance of the said Duke's said Declaration and Order, met the said Workmen at the said John Wildman's Houſe in his preſence, and propoſed and promised to the said Workmen ſeveral Mannors and Lands to be ſold for payment of the Monies due to the said Workmen, or to be conveyed to them for their ſatisfaction. And the said Workmen not being able to obtain their Monies, and being much ſtraightened for want thereof, exhibited their Bill in Chancery againſt the said Duke and his Truſtees, to recover their Monies out of the said Truſted Estate. And at the hearing of the Cauſe in Chancery, the ſeveral Matters aforeſaid appearing to the Court by the Proofs in the Cauſe, the Court of Chancery was fully ſatisfied, That by the Matters aforeſaid, the said Truſted Estate was lyable in Equity to the payment of the Monies due to the said Workmen, and Decreed, That the said Truſtees out of the said Truſted Estate, should pay the ſame, and the Interſt thereof, from the time of the filing the Bill in Chancery, and should ſell part of the said Truſted Estate for that purpose; There being due to the Counteſſes 969 l.—15 s.—8 d. for Plaiſters Work, and to the Houſeman 1534 l.—12 s.—3 d. for Joyners Work, and to the Pearce 58 l.—5 s.—9 d. for Carvers Work.

The said Duke hath appealed from the said Decree to the Lords in Parliament to have the said Decree reversed, and thereby to obstruct the said Workmen in receiving their said Monies, which have been due to them above six Years.

CONSIDERATIONS

ABOUT THE

Transportation of Wool

THAT the Woollen-Manufacture hath been and is the Chief Support of the Wealth and Strength of this Nation; upon which also in a great measure depends the Revenue of the Crown, the Prosperity of the Rich, and the Maintenance of the Poor.

Whereas not only *Holland* and *France* hath for a long time set up that Manufacture by the help of our Wool, but *Suedeland* and other Foreign Parts have done the same lately.

It is believed that for near Twenty Years of the Two last Reigns, the *French* Gained by our Wool Exported thither at least Two Millions *per Annum*; and altho' that Advantage to them hath been abated since His present Majesties Accession to the Throne, by reason chiefly of the War, yet is still continued; and since the Peace greatly increased.

For the preventing this Evil frequent Attempts have been made both by altering the Laws and otherwise, but that they have not succeeded, is owing not to the nature of the Disease, but unsuitableness of the Remedies used to remove it; nor hath the Act for Suing the Hundred, nor the Encrease of the Number of the *Custom-House* Officers (whose Profit arises by Seizures of Wool, or good Correspondence with the Offenders) prevented it; it being now Matter of Fact, that as great if not greater quantities than ever are daily Transported.

But it is further Matter of Fact on the other hand, when such persons whose Interest it was to prevent it, were Impowered, it hath been effectually done; and when it was so in the Two latter Reigns, it so sensibly Affected the *French* that their Ambassador here did use his utmost Endeavour to discourage those Persons; and so far prevail'd with the Government, as to effect it.

Therefore it is humbly conceived, that except those be empowered to prevent the Exportation of Wool whose Interest it is to do it it cannot rationally be expected that it should be done; nor can this be without a Fund, for who will do it at his own Charge?

That when Application have been made both to the laft and prefent Government to prevent it; after feveral References, Examinations and Reports from the Commiffioners of the Customs, it hath been by them thought neceffary for a diftinct Commiffion in this Cafe, as may appear by the Reports and Proceedings therein, if required.

A N S W E R S

To Several

O B J E C T I O N S

That may be made against the C A S E of the now *Earl of Banbury*.

Obj. 1.



T may be Objected, that in *Dugdales Treaty of the Baronages of England*; it is there said, that *William Earl of Banbury*, married *Dorothy Daughter to the Lord Bray*, by whom he had no Issue: and *Elizabeth Daughter to Thomas Earl of Suffolk*, by whom he had likewise no Issue, as the Certificate subscribed by her the said *Elizabeth* who survived doth testifie; and that *Earl William* died, May 27. 32. being 88 Years old, and refers to the *Heralds Book* in the margent. I. 8. in *Offic. Arm. fol. 30.*

But notwithstanding this, her Certificate, and an Inquisition taken after his Death, importing as much, it was not long after ere she married *Nicholas Lord Vaux*, and produced two Sons, viz. *Edward*, who was killed in *France*, and *Nicholas* who was frequently called *Earl of Banbury*, but never had summons to Parliament.

Ans. This Book can be of no authority to prove the Objection, that *Earl William* died without Issue; for beside what follows in that Book about the two Sons, which seems to answer the other part; it appears by the Authors same Book fol. 304. that *Edward Lord Vaux*, took to Wife *Elizabeth Widdow of William Earl of Banbury*, and dying in 61. without any lawful Issue, *Nicholas* the Son of the said *Elizabeth* his Wife, born in the life time of the said *Earl of Banbury*, enjoys all the Estate. So that there is a plain Mistake, if not Contradiction of himself: and there never was such a one as *Nicholas Vaux* who married *Elizabeth Widdow* to *William Earl of Banbury* for his Wife, but it was *Edward*.

Secondly, To shew how little *Dugdale* is to be relied upon in this Matter, the Books by him referred to in the *Heralds Office* for the Certificate, pretended to be signed by the Countess of *Banbury*, hath been searched for, but there is no such Certificate, and the *Heralds* will testifie that there neither is, nor ever was any such Certificate in their Office.

Obj. 2. It may also be Objected, that by an Inquisition taken at *Burford* in *Com. Oxon.* after the Death of *William Earl of Banbury*, in the Year 33. it is found that two Daughters of *Knollis* were his Coheirs.

Ans. It is true such an Inquisition was found, and then *Edward Earl of Banbury* was an Infant but six Years of age, and no cure might be taken then to assert his Right, and such Inquisitions were generally taken *ex parte*, and are little regarded: but when he came to ripe Years, which was in 41. there is another Inquisition taken in *Abingdon* in *Com. Berks*; and therein it is found, that *Earl William* died, leaving *Edward* his Son and next Heir; so that there is Inquisition against Inquisition.

Obj. 3. It may be also Objected, why the Inquisition took no notice of *Nicholas*, or that *Nicholas* had no Inquisition found.

Ans. It is not usual to take notice of any more than the Heir at Law, tho there be more Children: beside, then began the *Civil Wars*, and there was no House of Lords till 60. at which time (*Edward* being killed in *France*) *Nicholas* came to Parliament.

Obj. 4. If it should be Objected, that the Report made by the Lords Committees of Privileges in 61. which was, that *Nicholas* in the Eye of the Law, was legitimate Son of *William Earl of Banbury*; was not unanimous, or by the full consent of the Committee, or any ways not fairly or by surprize Obtained.

Ans. That cannot be so, for the Report was made after several deliberate Hearings both of Countel and Witneses, it does appear that the Committee met the 19th. of *June*, 61. and that there was an Order to examine the Countess of *Salisbury*, and other Witneses who were examined, also the Nurse, and the Attorney General was also heard at the Committee, and there were several Adjournments of the Committee, which continued till the 15th. of *July*, 61. and then agreed to be Reported to the House, and Reported accordingly the 19th.

Obj. 5. It may be also Objected, that the House ordered a Bill to be brought in to Illegitimate him, and upon reading the same that the Duke of *York* should say, that *Earl Nicholas* had promised him, that if the House would not proceed upon that Bill, he, nor any of his, would never make any such Claim.

Ans. It is plain this could not be so, for the Bill was Read the 9th. of *December*, 61. and in 69 *Earl Nicholas* preferred another Petition to the House, and then the House referred it to a Committee, who Reported all the matter of Fact as was Reported in 61 which certainly would never have been suffer'd, if there had been any such Promise, neither was there any Order of the House to bring in the Bill in 61.

Vide Dugdale fol. 312

Vide fol. 304.

11. Apr. 9. Car. I. 1633.

1. Apr. 17. Car. I. 1641.

Vide the Committee Book, and the Order of the House the 15th. of June 61. to examine her pro Veritate.

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Objections and Answers
thereto; in
the *Earl of Banbury's Case*.

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Noel
Baptist, Earl of Gainsborough,
John Noel, Esq;

Appellants.

The Respondents Case.

Katherine Countess
Dowager of
Gainsborough, } Respondent.

W Rottesley Baptist Earl of Gainsborough, seized in Fee in possession and Reversion of divers Mannors, Lands, &c. in the several Counties of Southampton, Rutland, Gloucester, and Middlesex, and possessed of a considerable personal Estate.
Leaves the premises in the County of Southampton of the Value of above 2000 *l. per Ann.* to descend to his two Daughters, being his Heirs at Law.

And as concerning the residue of the premises makes his Will in writing 20th September, 1690. whereby he devises several Annuities to several of his Servants amounting in the whole to 210 *l. per Annum*, and 5000 *l.* to his Sister the Lady Juliana, for payment of which he chargeth his Lands in Rutlandshire, and half a years Wages to the rest of his Servants, not before named, for payment of which he makes no provision by his Will; and then gives all his Estate that descended to him from his Father or Grandfather, being the premises in the Counties of Rutland, Gloucester and Middlesex, chargeable as aforesaid, to the Honourable Baptist Noel, his Uncles Son, in Tail Male, with like Remainder to John Noel the Appellants, Remainder in Fee to his Daughters aforesaid, and then adds,

Item, I charge my Estate in the County of Rutland, with the payment of all such Just Debts as shall be due to any person at the time of my Death; and concludes his Will with making the Respondent Executrix of his said Will, which Will she hath proved in Common Form.

The Respondent claims the personal Estate only as Executrix, to whom the Law gives it where there are no Debts, and where there is a sufficient Fund settled for payment of Debts, as this case is, there it is as if there were no Debts.

The Appellants insisted, that the personal Estate not being specifically devised, ought in the first place to be applied to the payment of Debts in aid of that part of the Real Estate which is to them devised, and the said part of the Real Estate to be only Supplemental.

So that the only Question was, Whether the Testators meaning in Charging his Debts upon his Estate in Rutlandshire was absolute, as the express Words of the Will are, or that it should be only Supplemental where the personal Estate fell short.

Therefore to prove the Testators meaning to be absolute, that his Rutlandshire Estate should pay all his just Debts, and not be only supplemental, the Respondent examined several Witnesses, who prove as followeth:

Mr. Newsham, his Auditor, and Mr. Jones his Secretary, Depose, That the Testator discoursing with them severally, and at several times, a little before his Death, concerning paying his Debts, said, He would charge them upon his Rutlandshire Estate; for his Cousin, meaning the present Earl the Appellant, (being but five or six years old) would have time enough, before he came of Age, to rub them off, and then would have a free Estate; or words to that purpose: But said nothing then, or at any other time, of applying his personal Estate, or any part thereof to that purpose.

The said Newsham and Jones, Dr. Ratcliffe, and Mr. Baker Steward of his Hampshire Estate depose, that they were all present at the time of the Testators making his Will, and carefully minded what Directions he gave about the same; and that the Testator before he concluded his Will, directed Mr. Milbourne, who wrote the same, to insert in the said Will a Devise of his personal Estate to his Wife, the now Respondent, and make her Executrix. To which Mr. Milbourne replied, seeing your Lordship makes your Lady Executrix, to devise the personal Estate to her, is superfluous: for it falls to her of course, as Executrix; and that Mr. Newsham not being satisfied with his Reason, urged Mr. Milbourne twice to write down about the personal Estate, as my Lord directed: But he still refused and gave the same Reason, as before; and the Testator heard, and was satisfied with it, else he would never have executed the Will without inserting what he had directed about his personal Estate: And Mr. Milbourne deposes to the same purpose.

Mr. Newsham deposes, that after the making the said Will, he perceiving the Earl's End approaching, for he lived but four or five Hours after he had made his Will: He asked him, if he had any Remembrances to his Lady. He replied, Tell her, I have done all I can for her: Give her my Dying Respects.

Newsham, Baker, and Jones aforesaid depose, That the Testator and his Lady, the Respondent, lived in entire Conjugal Affection all the time of their Marriage.

All which proves the Testators meaning to be Absolute: For by his reckoning his Debts might be paid out of the Rutlandshire Estate in fourteen or fifteen Years, it is clear he reckoned upon nothing to come in aid of it; the same appears by his directing his personal Estate to be given his Lady, without saying, After Debts and Legacies paid; or any other Words that might shew any intention to charge it: And by his saying after he had made his Will, He had done all he could for her. For had he intended the Land should be only Supplemental, he could not but know he had done nothing at all for her, not left her so much as a Bed to lye on, knowing his Debts far exceeded his personal Estate.

Nor can it be imagined, that a kind Husband would give his Wife an Office of great Charge and Trouble, without any profit to come thereby; all persons that make Executors intending them some advantage thereby.

So that the use the Respondent makes of these Averments is not, as is pretended, to create her self a Title to the personal Estate, for that she had before as Executrix; but only to rebut an implied meaning that might be raised by Equity, and to shew the Testators express Meaning was contrary to the Meaning they would raise by Implication.

So that all the Clamours of Admitting Parol Averments against, or dehors Wills in writing, and the Inconveniences that may come thereby, of shaking off Wills and rendring Legacies uncertain, are clearly out of this Case; for these Averments are neither against the Will nor dehors the Will, but in the Will and with the Will, nor do they alter or change any thing in it.

As to the usual Course in Chancery, where a Trust is created for payment of Debts, to Decree the personal Estate (where it is not given away) to come in aid of the Trust Lands, it is answered, That it was so at first only in favour of an Heir at Law, and it was but lately extended to an Heir *factus*: But indeed the present Earl, the Appellant, is neither Heir *natus*, being of the Half Blood, nor Heir *factus*; but only a Devisee, having but a part of the Real Estate devised to him, the rest being left to descend to the Testators Heirs at Law; and a Man cannot properly be said to have two Heirs, one by Law and another made so: So that the present Earl is only a Legatee, and it was never known that a meer Legatee had aid of the personal Estate, to ease his Legacy and make it better than it was given; but was always to take it as given *cum Onere*, let the Burthen upon it be great or little.

And to say the Charge is so great upon the devised Lands, that unless the personal Estate come in aid, he will have but a small Estate given him. This is not so; for the yearly Value of that Estate, after the two Joyntures fall in, will be above 5000 *l. per Annum*. However, the Testator was a free Agent, and might have given his Estate to whom, and how he would; and he to whom he hath given it, ought to take it Charged as he thought fit: For if he had given him nothing, but left it all to descend to his Daughters, he had had no reason to complain.

28 Jan. 1692. The Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal, after mature and deliberate Consideration had of the said Will, and the Proofs in the Cause, did unanimously Order and Decree, That the Land charged by the said late Earls Will, with the said Annuities, Legacy of 5000 *l.* and Debts, do and shall stand Charged therewith in the first place; and if the same be not sufficient to satisfy the said Annuities, Legacy and Debts, that then the same be charged and made good out of the said late Earls personal Estate; and that if the Plaintiff shall be Sued by any of the said late Earls Creditors, or shall pay any of them that then in such case she shall be reimbursed what she shall so pay out of the said Lands charged for the payment thereof, by such person or persons, who shall hold and enjoy the said Lands by virtue of the said Will.

But for the other particular Legacies given by the said late Earls Will, and the Charges of his Funeral, which are not Charged upon the said Lands, it is Ordered and Decreed, That the Plaintiff do and shall pay the same out of the said personal Estate.

Which said particular Legacies and Funeral Charges amount in the Whole to 1128 *l.* 06 *s.* 04 *d.*

Which Decree is most Just, it being according to the Letter of the said Will, and the express Intention and Direction of the said Testator, as is fully proved, as aforesaid; and therefore the Respondent humbly prays Your Lordships, it may be Confirmed.

BAPTIST, Earl }
of }
Grimsborough, } Appellant.

KATHERINE, Countess }
of }
Gainsborough, } Respondent.

The Respondents Cafe,

To be Heard *Monday 27th Feb.*
1692.

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THE C A S E OF CHARLES Earl of BANBURY.



WILLIAM KNOLLIS, (who by King James I. was created first Lord Knollis, and afterwards Viscount Wallingford,) was, by King Charles I. in the Second Year of his Reign, created Earl of Banbury, to him and the Heirs Males of his Body.

The said Earl did take to Wife the Lady Elizabeth eldest Daughter to the Right Honorable Thomas late Earl of Suffolk, and had Issue Two Sons, viz. Edward Earl of Banbury, who died under age and without Issue, and Nicholas late Earl of Banbury, Father of Charles Earl of Banbury the Petitioner.

Earl William Died in the Year 1632.

Edward his eldest Son being then aged about Five Years, and Nicholas about a Year and a half; Earl Edward was not summoned to any of the Parliaments in the time of King Charles I. nor could rightfully claim to be so summoned being under Age.

Earl Nicholas did, after his arrival to full Age, sit in the Parliament Conven'd in the Twelfth year of the late King Charles II. at the time of his Majesties happy Restauration.

In the Parliament summoned in the Thirteenth year of his said late Majesties Reign, the said Earl Nicholas having received no Writ of Summons to that Parliament, addressed himself by Petition to his said late Majesty, setting forth in effect the Matters before expressed, and praying that he might be Summoned by Writ to the said Parliament.

This Petition being by his Majesty's appointment, delivered to the House of Peers by the Lord Great Chamberlane of England, was by them taken into Consideration, and thereupon referred to the Lords Committees for Privileges, who were upon hearing the Petitioners Counsel and the Kings Attorney General, to make Report thereof.

The said Lords Committees being attended by Counsel, and Witnesses on the Petitioners behalf, and also by Mr. Attorney General for the King: It was fully proved that the said Earl Nicholas was born of the Body of the said Countess Elizabeth, during the Coverture and Cohabitation between her and the said Earl William.

By a Report made the 19th. of July, 1661. the said Committee reported that the said Earl Nicholas, was in the eye of the Law the Son of Earl William, and that the House of Peers should advise the King to send him a Writ to come to Parliament.

Earl Nicholas had Two Wives, the first was Daughter of the late Earl of Newport, by whom he had Issue one Daughter, but no Male Issue; the other was Ann, Daughter of the Right Honorable the Lord Sherrard, by whom he had Issue Charles now Earl of Banbury, his eldest Son and Heir, (the Petitioner) and several other Children.

The said Earl Charles at his Fathers Death was an Infant, and coming to full Age and not being summon'd to Parliament, in the Year 1685. Petitioned the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament, that their Lordships would represent the same to his Majesty, to the end he might be relieved according to Right.

Upon which it was referred to the Lords Committees for Privileges, to examine all former Proceedings relating to the said Earl Nicholas.

And thereupon the Committee reported the Proceedings of the House in 1661. upon the Petition of Earl Nicholas, and the Opinion of the Committee in the Report of the 19th. of July 1661. That the said Earl Nicholas was, in the eye of the Law, Son of the said Earl William, and that his Majesty should be advised to Summon him to Parliament.

And thereupon it was Ordered that the House would hear the now Earl Charles, by his Counsel and the Attorney General on the Kings behalf, against the Earls Claim in July following.

But by reason of the rising of the Parliament, or other great Affairs then in hand, no farther Proceedings were had upon the said Order. And the now Earl Charles having been Travelling, did not return into this Kingdom till about Michaelmas 1692. and hath now Petitioned the House of Peers, that he may be admitted to the Privilege of his Peerage.

Whereupon it was Ordered, that the House would hear his Majesty's Attorney General on the Kings behalf, and all other Persons that may be concerned therein, against the said Earl's Claim; as also Counsel for the Earl, on Monday the Ninth of January next.

THE
EARL of Banbury's

CASE.

ESQ OF BUNBURY

T H E
C A S E
O F
Sir Edward Turner, and Anne Gardiner
RESPONDENTS,
AGAINST
The PETITION of Dame MARY TURNER.

SIR *William Ashton* in consideration of a Marriage between *Mary* the Daughter of *Henry Eure* Esq; with *William Ashton* his Son, Demises unto the said *Henry Eure* and *Stephen Eure*, certain Lands in *Milton* and *Tingry* in the County of *Bedford* for Ninety-nine Years; The said *Henry* and *Stephen Eure* redemise the same to Sir *William Ashton* for Ninety-eight Years in trust for *William Ashton* his Son and the said *Mary* during their joynt Lives; and after in trust for the Survivour of them.

William Ashton the Son dies, and *Mary* survives, and thereby becomes Intituled to the said *Term* in trust, during the remainder of the said *Term*, if she should so long live.

About the Year 1653, Upon a Treaty of Marriage with the said *Mary*, Sir *Edward Turner* Late Lord Chief Baron of the *Exchequer*, settles a Joynture of 300 *l. per Ann.* or more upon her (which the said *Mary* hath ever since, and at this day doth enjoy) and thereupon the Marriage takes effect; by Vertue whereof the said Sir *Edward Turner* became Intituled to the said Trust for the remainder of the said *Term* of Ninety-eight Years, if the said *Mary* should so long live.

Sir *Edward Turner* for and in Consideration of 2300 *l.* Grants and Releases (as by Law he might) the same to *William Mole* Esq; who had bought the Inheritance of the said Lands.

William Mole in Consideration of a Marriage with *Anne* the Daughter of Sir *William Botiler* Knight, (which said *Anne* by a second Marriage is become *Anne Gardiner*, one of the now Respondents) and of 1500 *l.* Portion by his last Will and Testament, charges the said Lands with the Yearly Value of 180 *l.* payable to the said *Anne Gardiner* (which is all the settlement that was made upon the said *Anne* upon her Marriage) in lieu of a Joynture.

Sir *Edward Turner* in the Year 1676 dies, and Dame *Mary* the Relict of the said Sir *Edward Turner*, exhibits her Bill in *Chancery* against Sir *Edward Turner*, Son and Heir of the said Sir *Edward Turner*, and the said *Anne Gardiner* to have the said Deeds of Demise and Redemise, to the end she might recover the said *Term* in Trust, and thereupon obtains a Decree.

Whereupon Sir *Edward Turner* and the said *Anne Gardiner* presented a Petition of Appeal to the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament Assembled, for the Reversal of the said Decree, and upon the Twentieth day of November, in the Year 1680. After due Consideration had of what was offered by the Council of either part, and hearing the Opinion of most of the Judges, that the Husband may dispose of the trust of a Chattel Interest of his Wifes without her consent (which was the single point in Question) it was Ordered and Adjudged by the Lords Spiritual and Temporal then in Parliament Assembled, that the said Decree from which the said Sir *Edward Turner* and *Anne Gardiner* had appealed, should be and was thereby Reversed; as by the Journal of the House of Lords in the Year 1680. doth and may more at large appear.

There have been since the Year 1680. Several Parliaments holden, during all which time the said *Anne Gardiner* hath had the quiet Possession and Enjoyment of the said Rent Charge, in pursuance of the said Judgment and Order of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal then in Parliament Assembled, without any Molestation or Trouble given her by the Petitioner Dame *Mary Turner* or any other whosoever.

This being the true State of the Case, It is Humbly Offered to Your Lordships Considerations, what Mischiefs and Inconveniences may and will ensue to the Subjects in general, if after such Solemn Hearings, Resolutions and Judgments of the Highest Court of Judicature, there should be a Door open, or the least Incouragement given to call in Question, the Judgments and Decrees of this Honourable Court, and to controvert the same, without shewing any Ground or Reason so to do, but only upon a bare Prayer in a Petition, the rather, for that if such Prosecutions should be allowed, Causes would be endless, and no Man could ever know when he should have an end of his Suits, or have any fixed or certain Interest, so as to be able to dispose of any Estates which have been Controverted before Your Lordships in the High Court of Parliament.



BY THE
K. Ireland. Lords-Justices
AND
COUNCIL,
A PROCLAMATION.

CHARLES PORTER, THO: CONINGESBY.



Lo prevent the Robberies, wilfull burning of Buildings, Corn and Hay, Murthers and Insurrections with which those Parts of this Kingdom now under Their Majesties Obedience are threatned by the Rebels and their Adherents, during such time as Their Majesties Army shall be upon their March to the Frontiers, or in the Quarters now possessed by the said Rebels: We have thought it necessary, and do hereby Publish and Declare, that the Popish Irish Inhabitants of the respective Baronies at present under Their Majesties Obedience, where any Rebels, commonly called Rapparees shall commit any such Robberies, Burnings or Murthers, or where any such Insurrection shall happen, if they do not immediately give notice of such Rapparees and Insurrections respectively to the Justice of Peace or Chief Officer of the Militia next to their respective Habitations, and assist them in the taking or destroying of such Rapparees, and suppression of such Insurrection, that then the said Popish Irish Inhabitants of the said Barony where such Fact shall be committed, so neglecting their Duties, shall be deemed Confederates with the said Rebels, and Enemies to Their Majesties Government, and by Orders to be by Us given, as occasion shall require, shall be proceeded against with the utmost severity of Military Execution. And We do further Order, that no Protected Irish Papists shall be abroad out of his or their Dwelling House, or place of aboad after the hours of Nine at Night, or before the hours of Four in the Morning, under the pain and penalty of being put out of Their Majesties Protection; And if after the Thirtieth day of this Instant Month of May, any Arms or Ammunition shall be found upon the Person or in the possession of any such Irish Papists, he and they shall be look'd upon as Rebels and punished accordingly. And as We intend severely to punish all such as shall offend in any of the particulars abovementioned, so We do assure all those Irish Papists who live under Their Majesties Protection, that they behaving themselves as becometh good Subjects, shall have the Benefit thereof.

Given at the Council-Chamber in *Dublin* the Fourteenth day of *May*, 1691. And in the third Year of their Majesties Reign.

Anth. Meath, Longford, Ri. Reynell, Jn^o Hely.

God Save the KING and QUEEN.

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The CASE of the Right Honourable *Thomas Earl Rivers*, upon his Appeal Exhibited before the Lords in Parliament, against a Dismission made by the Court of Chancery of a Bill Exhibited by him against the Right Honourable *William George Richard Earl of Derby, William Earl of Strafford, Thomas Munne, Gent, and Frances Richardson, Widdow, Defendants.*

That

by Indenture Dated the 13th Day of *May*, 1678. between the Appellant and *Thomas Lord Viscount Colchester* his Son Deceased of the First part, the Honourable *John Savage* and *Robert Pickering* Esqs; of the Second part, the Defendants the Earl of *Derby* and Earl of *Strafford* and *John Gronham How*, Esq; and *Robert Hyde* Gent both Deceased of the Third part, and a Fine and Recovery Levyed and Suffered, The several Mannours of *Chich, St. Osth, Great Clacton, Little Clacton*, and divers Messuages, Lands and Tenements in the County of *Essex* were setled on the said Lord *Colchester* for Life, and after of part thereof to the Lady *Charlotte* his Wife for Life, Sister of the said Earl of *Derby* for a Jointure, and after to the first Son of the said Lord *Colchester* on the body of his said Wife in Taile Male remainder to the 2, 3, 4th, and all other the Sons of the said Lord *Colchester* on the body of his said Wife remainder to the said *Thomas Earl Rivers* in Taile Male with divers remainders over.

That in the Settlement there is a Proviso, That in case the said Lord *Colchester* should Die, leaving no Issue Male on the Body of his said Wife, and the said Mannours and Premises should come to any other Heir Male of the said Lord *Colchester* by any other Wife begotten, or any other person or persons by Virtue of any the Uses, Limitations and Appointments therein mention'd. And that there should be any Daughter or Daughters of the said Lord *Colchester* on the Body of the said Lady *Charlotte* begotten living at his Death, That the said Earl of *Derby*, Earl of *Strafford*, *John Gronham How*, and *Robert Hyde* and their Heirs, should stand seized of all and every the said Mannours, Messuages, and Premises, except those Limited to the said Lady *Charlotte* during her life, and after of those likewise to the intent the said Daughter and Daughters may receive and take the Sum of 10000 *l.* out of the Rents and Profits thereof to the use of such One Daughter if but one, if more equally to be divided amongst them, together with the several Sums of 100 *l.* apiece for the maintenance of such Daughter and Daughters until payment which is mentioned in the Deed to be intended for their Portion and Portions respectively.

That the said Lord *Colchester* dyed in *October* 1679, leaving only one Daughter, to wit, *Charlotte Katherine Savage*, and thereby the said Earl of *Derby* and Trustees became intitled to the said Mannours and the Rents and Fines of Copyholders thereof, and divers Woods in trust for raising the said 10000 *l.* and a 100 *l.* per ann. maintenance, and one *John Richardson* Husband of the Defendant *Elizabeth* was employed under the said Trustees for 5 Years ending at *Michaelmas* 1684, in which time was raised 800 *l.* and *Thomas Munne* for 2 Years whereby was raised 500 *l.*

1. of March,
1685.

The said *Charlotte Katherine Savage* Daughter of the said Lord *Colchester* died, being of the Age of 17 and no more, unmarried, and thereby the Monies already raised ought to be paid to the said Earl *Rivers*, being next in remainder, and the residue of the said 10000 *l.* ought not to be raised, but sink into the Inheritance, it being declared by the Settlement to be intended for her Portion, and the Trustees ought to convey to the said Earl *Rivers*, and the said *Charlotte Katherine Savage* had no power to dispose of the said 10000 *l.* as she did by her Will, thereby giving 3000 *l.* to the Earl of *Derby*: To her Mother 3000 *l.* To the Lady *Charlotte Murray* 8000 *l.* And other Legacies, in all 16350 *l.* although she had no other Estate than this Portion of 10000 *l.* and Constituted the said Earl of *Derby* her Executor, for which end the said Earl *Rivers* Exhibited his Bill in the Chancery.

That the Earls of *Derby* and *Strafford* did put in their Answers, and thereby set forth the said Settlement and Power therein for raising the said 10000 *l.* and 100 *l.* per Annum Maintenance till Payment, and set forth and Confess the Death of the said Lord *Colchester*, and that his Daughter *Charlotte Katherine Savage* died, being 17 Years and a Month Old, having made her Will and given such Legacies as above, and they insist that the said 10000 *l.* may be raised and disposed of according to the said Settlement, and the last Will of the said *Charlotte Katherine Savage*.

And the said Mr. *Munne* by Answer Confesseth he was Receiver: And Mrs. *Richardson* by Answer Confesseth her Husband was Receiver of the Lands set apart for raising the said 10000 *l.* and are willing to come to Accompt and pay what is in their hands, as the Court did Direct.

That the Cause was heard on the Bill and Answers, the 18th. day of *July* last, before the Lord Chancellor, who dismissed the Bill, and since the said Mr. *Munne* and Mrs. *Richardson* have paid what they Received to the said Earl of *Derby* and Earl of *Strafford*.

FROM this Dismission the Earl *Rivers* hath Appealed to the Lords in Parliament, that the Portion of 10000 *l.* may not now be raised, the young Lady being Dead so Young and Unmarried, and it being declared to be her Portion, there is no occasion to raise the same, but it ought to sink into the Inheritance, which is agreeable to former Judgments given by their Lordships in like Cases.

The Ancient Practical Laws of England, compared with the Laws now practised, to the great Grievance of the Free-born Subject ;
By an Ancient Practising Barrister at Law, who for the greatest part of Seventeen Years last past, hath been a Prisoner of the King's-
Bench, Fleet, and other Prisons, unjustly Confined under undue Practices, mentioned in Eight of the Ten Paragraphs underwritten.

I. BY the Ancient Law of England, every Subject who came to the Kings Courts for the Kings Writ, was obliged to bring his Pledges to prosecute his Suit with Effect, or to pay such Fine to the King as the Court should lay on him for his unjust Clamor, as may appear in all Declarations, not only in the Courts at Westminster, but also in all inferior Courts, whether Courts of Record or Courts Baron ; and if such Plaintiff were Non-suited, or a Verdict pass'd against him, he was Amerced to the King, as appears by the Entry of every such Judgment, which is *qd. quer. sit in Misericordia*, or *Capiat. pro injusto clamore suo*.

II. By the Ancient Law, the King by his Royal Prerogative might Imprison his Subject for Debt, but one Subject could not Imprison another, until the Statute of Action Burnell. 13 Ed. 1. & 27 Ed. 3. and some later Statutes in particular Cases, but never pretended to hold any Defendant to Bail, on meane Process unless it were for Debt upon Bond, or for Rent in Arrear, or for Debt appearing to be due by some Writing under the Defendants Hand at least, until within Forty years last past.

III. By the Ancient Law of England, when an Original was Filed in Debt, the next Process was a Summons for the Defendant to appear at a certain day, to answer the Plaintiffs Action ; at the Return whereof, if the Defendant did not appear a Writ of *Capias* was awarded to Arrest him, for his contempt of the Authority of the Kings Court, which *Capias* was made Returnable some day in that Term, or the next 15 days at least after the *teste* or date thereof ; at which day, if the Sheriff did Return, that the Defendant was not found in his Bayliwick, the Court granted another Writ called an *alias Capias*, directed to the same Sheriff, Returnable 15 days at least after the *teste* or date thereof, commanding him to Arrest the Defendant ; at which day if the Sheriff returned that the Defendant was not found, &c. the Court granted a third Writ called a *Pluries Capias*, with the like *teste* and Return ; whereon if the Sheriff Returned the third time, that the Defendant was not found, &c. the Court then granted a Writ of *Exigent*, commanding the Sheriff to call the Defendant from County Court to County Court, five Courts following ; and also another Writ, called a *Proclamation*, commanding the Sheriff to make three publick Proclamations, one at the County Court, another at the General Quarter Sessions, and the third at the Church-door where the Defendant lived, on a Sunday immediately after Sermon or Divine Service ; and if the Defendant did then render himself, or retained an Attorney to File a *Superfedeas*, which cost him 2 s. 4 d. all these Proceedings were discharged, and his Appearance accepted without Bail, and the Defendant to make his defence as a Free man, but if he then failed to appear after Summons, and so many Writs and Proclamations, he was adjudged an Outlawed person, and thereby to Forfeit the Issues and Profits of all his Lands and Tenements, and all his Goods and Chattels to the King, and his Body to be committed to Prison, and not to have the benefit of the Kings Laws in any of the Kings Courts of Law or Equity.

IV. By the Ancient Law, when the Plaintiff had recovered Judgment in any Action, after a Year had pass'd without any Prosecution, he could not take out any Execution thereon, without suing forth a *Scire facias*, for the Defendant to shew cause why Execution should not go against him, the Law supposing the Debt might be satisfied when there had been no Prosecution in all that time.

V. By the Ancient Law, when a Writ of Error was brought to reverse any Judgment, and the Plaintiff therein had put Bail, there was a *Superfedeas* to stay all Proceedings on the Original Judgment, until the Error was tried, and the Defendant all that while was safe.

VI. By the Ancient Law of England, generally where one was sued for a Debt without Specialty under the Defendants Hand and Seal, the Defendant might wage his Law by swearing he owed the Plaintiff nothing, and bringing his *Compurgat* into Court, to swear they believed him, he was discharged.

VII. By the Ancient Law, when the Debtor had given Bond for what he owed, he was safe until the day of Payment.

VIII. By the Ancient Rules of Practice, when one brought an *Audita Querela*, two persons only were required for Bail, and the Presidents were so but Forty Years since.

IX. By the Law of England, no Attorney could appear for any Man without his Order.

X. By the Ancient Law, If the Defendant pleaded several Matters in his defence or justification to the same thing, the Plaintiff might demur for the uncertainty, for that he could not thereon joyn a single Issue.

I. BY the Law now in Practice, every Man that pretends an Action against another, tho' but feigned, hath liberty to Arrest his Adversary for any Sum, and hold him to Bail at his pleasure, without giving any Pledges to Prosecute, but only naming *Jo. Doe* and *Rich. Roe*, or any two imaginary Persons for his Pledges ; but if the nominating such Pledges be omitted in any Declaration, its held a manifest fatal Error not to be help'd. So zealous are we for Shadows, neglecting Substances.

II. By the Law now in Practice, every Man hath liberty not only to Imprison his fellow Subject in Execution for Debt, but also to hold him arbitrarily to Bail on meane Process, which was never practised in Westminster Hall in the time of King Char. I. the Rump Parliament, the Protectors, nor in the beginning of King Char. II. until the Court of Kings Bench growing much on the Common Pleas by the Writ of *Lat.* which paid no Fine, as Originals in Debt did in the Common Pleas, whereby that Court lost not only great part of the Practice, but also the Lord Chancellor and Lord Chief Justice of that Court finding themselves much prejudiced in their Shares of those Fines, they joyned to procure the Statute made in the second Session of Parliament, 13 Car. 2. that no Man should be held to Bail, unless the Cause of Action appeared in the Writ ; after which, for some Years, the Common Pleas recovered ground on the Kings Bench, until Sir Matthew Hale was made Lord Chief Justice of England, who about 1657. inserted the Clause of *ac Etiam Bille, &c.* in the Writ of *Lat.* and by that means regained their ground of the Common Pleas, whereof that Court being sensible, found it absolutely necessary to make all their Originals in Trespasses, and to insert the same Clause of *ac Etiam, &c.* in their Writs of *Capias*, and after Judgment, to File an Original in Debt, perchance in one case of twenty ; ever since which time, both Courts have vied on each other in the point of holding Defendants to Bail : So that in the least Action upon the Case, Trespass, or any other Action, feigning any special Matter whatsoever, tho' never so false in the *ac Etiam*, every Man is Arbitrarily Imprisoned as above said, whereby all the Prisons in England, especially the Kings Bench and Fleet are so crowded with Prisoners.

III. By the Law now Practised, the Summons is only mentioned in the Declaration, but never served on the Defendant, the three several Writs of *Capias*, *alias* & *Pluries*, are all sealed at once, and brought to the Sheriff together, but with several *Trespasses* and Returns, with 15 days betwixt each of them ; and the Sheriff, who is sworn to make no false Returns, must at his peril return them altogether at once, though brought to him so long after their several days of Return, and the Proclamations at the County Court, the Quarter Sessions, and the Church-door, are either not made at all, or so made that they are but a meer Mockery, so contrived that the Defendant shall have no notice at all, until he is taken on the Outlawry, and hath thereby forfeited the Issues and Profits of his Lands, and all his Goods and Chattels ; and he being a close Prisoner, his Adversary takes advantage to proceed against him in all Courts, who for want of making his Defence, is condemned and ruined without being heard, and all this Calamity brought upon him without any Fault or Neglect of his in the least ; and the Peers of England are not absolutely out of Danger in this Case.

IV. By the Law now, when a Judgment is Entred, and a Year, two, three, ten, or more are past, the Plaintiff takes an *ac Etiam* out of either of the Courts of Westminster, and holds the Defendant to Bail in double the Judgment, which is the same in effect as if he were taken in Execution ; and if sometimes there be a *scire facias*, its but a Formality ; for its so managed, that the Defendant shall have no notice thereof, until taken in Execution.

V. But now though the Plaintiff in the Writ of Error, hath put in never so good Bail, the Plaintiff in the Original Action may Arrest the Defendant on that Judgment, and Declare in a new Action of Debt, and recover another Judgment, and take the Defendant in Execution thereon, tho' his Writ of Error be depending undetermined.

VI. But now all such Actions are turned into Actions on the Case, *Indebitat. Assumpsit, quant. meruit, Infimus Computasset, mutuat.* and several other Actions wherein the Plaintiff may declare for 1000 l. or as much as he please, and hold the Defendant to Bail, and if he proves but a penny, he recovers it and his full Costs.

VII. But now though the Debtor hath given Bond for what he owes, the Creditor, on pretence the Debtor is about to run away, may Arrest him before the day of Payment, and hold him to Bail.

VIII. By the Practice now, four persons are required for Bail in *Audita Querela*, and in time may require four and twenty.

IX. By our Law now, if two, three, or four persons, or more, are bound in a Bond or a Bill Obligatory, any one of them may give an Attorney order to appear for himself, and all the rest, and recover Execution against all or any of them without their knowledge, and then he himself goes free.

X. By the Practice now, the Plaintiff may lay 2, 3, 5, 10, 20 several Promises or more, in one Declaration, and oblige the Defendant to make his Defence to them all at his peril.

By these and divers other strange Practices of this sort, the Law of England, as it is now practised, compared with what it was anciently, looks like a prodigious Monster, absolutely destructive to the Liberty of the Subject, whereby all the Prisons in England, though they have often been emptied by many good Acts, especially in His present Majesties Reign, yet are they now as full as ever ; and should they now be cleared again, will in a Year or two be as full as they are now, unless these Abuses, and many others, be reformed by some good Act or Acts of Parliament.



By the KING A PROCLAMATION.

JAMES R.

I AMES the Seventh by the Grace of GOD, King of Scotland, England, France and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, &c. To all and sundry Our good Subjects whom these Presents do or may Concern, Greeting. Whereas by Our Royal Proclamation of the date the 12 day of February 1687 We were graciously pleased for the Causes, and on the Terms therein mentioned, to grant Our Royal Tolleration to the Professors of the Christian Religion therein named; With and under certain Restrictions and Limitations; All which are in the said Proclamation more at length expressed: We now taking into Our Royal Consideration the finistruous Interpretations, which either have, or may be made of some Restrictions, therein mentioned. Have thought fit by this Our Royal Proclamation, further to Declare, that We will Protect Our Arch-Bishops, and Bishops, and all Our Subjects of the Protestant Religion, in the free Exercise of their Protestant Religion, as it is by Law Established, and in the Quiet and Full Injoyment of all their Possessions, without any Molestation or Disturbance whatsoever. And We do likewise by Our Sovereign Authority, Prerogative-Royal, and Absolute Power, Suspend, Stop and Disable, all Penal and Sanguinary Laws, made against any for Non-conformity to the Religion Established by Law, in that Our Ancient Kingdom, or for Exercising their respective Worships, Religions, Rites and Ceremonies; All which Laws are hereby Stopt, Suspended and Disabled to all Intents and Purposes. And to the end that by the Liberty thereby granted, the Peace and Security of Our Government in the Practice thereof, may not be Endangered, We have thought fit, and do hereby straitly Charge and Command all Our Loving Subjects, that as We do give them leave to Meet and Serve God after their own Way and Manner, be it in privat Houses, Chappels, or Places purposely Hired or Built for that use, so that they take care that nothing be Preached or Taught among them which may any ways tend to Alienat the Hearts of Our People from Us, or Our Government, and that their Meetings be peaceable, openly and publickly held, and all Persons freely admitted to them, and that they do signifie and make known to some one or more of the next Privy Counsellors, Sheriffs, Stewards, Bailies, Justices of the Peace, or Magistrates of Burghs-Royal, what Place or Places they set apart for these uses, with the Names of the Preachers.

And that all Our Subjects may enjoy such their Religious Assemblies with greater assurance and protection, We have thought fit, and do hereby Command, that no Disturbance of any kind be made or given unto them, under pain of Our Royal displeasure, and to be further proceeded against with the outmost severity; Provided always, that their Meetings be in Houses, or Places provided for the purpose, and not in the open Fields, for which now after this Our Royal Grace and Favour shown (which surpasses the Hopes, and equals the very Wishes of the most zealously concerned) there is not the least shadow of excuse left; Which Meetings in Fields We do hereby strictly prohibite and forbid, against all which We do leave Our Laws and Acts of Parliament in full force and vigour, notwithstanding the Premisses; And do further Command all Our Judges, Magistrates, and Officers of Our Forces, to prosecute such as shall be guilty of the saids Field-Conventicles or Assemblies with the outmost Rigour, as they would avoid Our Highest Displeasure; For We are confident none will, after these Liberties and Freedoms We have given to all, without reserve, to serve God in their own way, presume to meet in these Assemblies, except such as make a pretence of Religion, to cover their Treasonable Designs against Our Royal Person, and the Peace of Our Government. And Lastly, To the end all Our good Subjects may have notice of this Our Royal Will and Pleasure, We do hereby Command Our Lyon King at Arms, and his Brethren Heralds, Macers, Pursevants, and Messengers at Arms, to make timeous Proclamation thereof at the Mercat-Crofs of Edinburgh: And besides the Printing and Publishing of this Our Royal Proclamation, It is Our expresse Will and Pleasure, that the same be past under Our Great Seal of that Our Kingdom *per saltum*, without passing any other Seal or Register. In order whereunto, these shall be to the Directors of Our Chancellery and their Deputs, for Writing the same, and to Our Chancellor, for causing Our Great Seal aforesaid to be Appended thereunto, a sufficient Warrant. Given at Our Court at Windsor the 28 day of June, 1687. And of Our Reign the Third Year.

By His MAJESTIES Command,
MELFORT.

Edinburgh, July 5. 1687.

Present in Council.

James Earl of Perth Lord High Chancellor.
John Lord Archbishop of Glasgow.
The Lord Marquess of Athol Privy Seal.
Duke of Hamilton.
Duke of Gordon.
Earl of Argyll.

Earl of Linlithgow.
Earl of Dunfermling.
Earl of Strathmore.
Earl of Lauderdale.
Earl of Southesk.

Earl of Argyll.
Lo. Viscount Torbolton.
Lo. Viscount Strathallan.
Lo. Livingston.
Lo. President of Session.

Lo. Advocate.
Lo. Justice-Clerk.
Lo. Castellan.
General Lieutenant Douglas.
Niddrie.

The above-written Proclamation from His most Sacred Majesty, being Read in His Privy Council of Scotland, was in pursuance of His Majesties Royal Commands ordered to be published with all due Solemnities. Extracted forth of the Records of His Majesties Council by me Sir William Paterson Clerk to His Majesties most Honourable Privy Council.

WILL. PATERSON.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

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CASE

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MILES FLEETWOOD, Merchant.

MR. Fleetwood, a Merchant of the *Turky Company*, having travelled into the Kingdom of *Egypt*, observed, That the Trade of that Kingdom, which had been abandon'd by the *English* above Forty Years, was carried on by the *French* with great Success and Advantage to that Nation: And finding that the Markets were in a great measure supplied with *English* Commodities, upon his Return to *England* represented it to the *Turky Company* here; and proposed to them a Prospect of Re-establishing an *English* Factory in *Egypt*, to revive a Trade, which would prove of great Benefit and Interest to the Company, and to *England* in general. The Company, being ignorant of the Advantage of a Commerce disused for so many Years, were unwilling to hazard any thing for the Recovery of it; but promised Mr. Fleetwood all the Encouragement and Protection the Company could give him, if he thought fit, at his own Expence, and hazard of the Event, to endeavour to procure a Settlement of the *English* Trade in *Egypt*; and, if he succeeded, promised further, to appoint him their Consul there, for the Superintendency and Government of the Trade, and Protection of the *English* Factory in their Privileges; and authorized him to negotiate this Affair at the *Ottoman* Court, by the Mediation and Patronage of my Lord Pagett, Ambassador there, to whom they sent Instructions for that Purpose.

Upon this Encouragement from the Company, Mr. Fleetwood undertook this Affair, and in pursuance of it went from *London* in *July*, 1695, to the *Turky Court*; where, after Four Months Application and Attendance, he was told, That the Imperial Command could not be had without a Previous Assurance, That the Government of *Egypt* would admit the *English* to Trade upon the Terms and with the Privileges desired.

To procure such a Consent from that Government, Mr. Fleetwood, with the Directions of the Lord Pagett and the *Turky* Lord Chancellor to that purpose, continued his Journey into *Egypt*; where, in the beginning of the Year 1696. by a diligent Application, he obtained an Agreement for the Rate of Customs, upon the same Terms with the *French*; which was Ratified by the *Basha*, Chief Justice, and the Council of *Egypt*.

Of this Agreement Mr. Fleetwood transmitted Copies forthwith to the Lord Pagett, and to the Company in *England*, that he might receive from both such Power and Authority as were requisite to establish him in the Office of Consul, and thereby enable him to protect and advance the Trade. He in the mean time enjoying all Privileges required by Virtue of this Agreement, made in Expectation of and upon Promise and Assurance of such Power to follow, but continuing at *Cairo* a whole Year, without any Power or Authority sent him, either from the *Turky* Company or the Lord Pagett, the *Basha* of *Egypt* accused him as an Impostor, who had transacted this Affair without Warrant or Authority, commanded him to the common Gaol, from whence he could not redeem himself without paying a Thousand Pounds for his Liberty, and the Security of the Estate he was possessed of as Factor.

Nor was this the only Loss occasioned by this negligent Delay: For by want of sufficient Authority he lay exposed to many Insults, which proved very chargeable to him; and under these Difficulties he continued another whole Year, to the 30th of *June*, 1698. at which time arrived at *Cairo* the Imperial Command, with subordinate Commands in Conformity to it, to establish the *English* Trade in *Egypt* in equal Privileges with the *French*, and to constitute Mr. Fleetwood Consul there.

Accordingly Mr. Fleetwood was admitted Consul in *Cairo*, the Fifth of *July*, 1698. And from that Day the Merchants and Factors enjoyed all the Privileges of Trade. But before this Establishment was effected, it had cost Mr. Fleetwood above Two thousand Pounds.

The *Turky* Company at *London*, on the Fifth of *May*, 1697. had elected Mr. Fleetwood to be their Consul in *Egypt*; but their Powers or Orders for that purpose, as also for the Regulation of Trade, were not sent from *London* till the 26th of *July*, 1699. and did not arrive at *Cairo* before the 27th of *November* following.

This Delay also in this particular was of great Disadvantage to the Consul and Trade, besides that it occasioned a Dispute concerning Consulage and other Duties, which is not yet adjusted, but the Determination of it hath been hitherto prevented by the Imprisonment of Mr. Fleetwood, which happened in the manner following.

The Lord Pagett having conceived a Displeasure against Mr. Fleetwood, (whether arising from the false Information and ill Practices of his Enemies, or from any other Cause) wrote to him with great Severity of Expressions; laying to his Charge Abuses and ill Conduct in general, of which he had received Complaints from Captains of Ships at *Constantinople*; and farther requiring him forthwith to account with the Company's Treasurer at *Constantinople*, for a Fourth Part of the Consulage, which the Company was to have by the Articles of Establishment; and concluded his Letter with Threatnings to the Consul, That he should hear from him after another manner in a short time. In answer to this Letter of the Lord Ambassador's, Mr. Fleetwood justified himself, as to the Abuses pretended; and shewed, That the Complaints had no other ground, than the Malice of his Enemies, who used all Arts to get him out of his Office, or themselves into it.

And as to the Account required, he would be always ready to make it, when the Company would enable him to do so, by ascertaining the Duties, and the Times when they were to begin and end: That before, it was impossible for him; but as soon as he received the Company's Directions in these Points, he would transmit his Accounts to the Company, and answer the Company's Part of the Duties.

The Lord Pagett not being satisfied with this Answer, quickly explained his Threats; for he took out an Imperial Command, to remove Mr. Fleetwood from his Office, and bring him Prisoner to *Constantinople*, there to answer the Account required, and whatever else was laid to his Charge.

By Virtue of this Command Mr. Fleetwood was taken up by a Messenger, and brought Prisoner to *Constantinople*, where he remained in Custody Four Months; the Lord Pagett being gone for *England*, and his Successor Sir Robert Sutton having no Misdemeanour to charge Mr. Fleetwood with, and being satisfied with the Reasons why he could not yet make up his Account, he was discharged of his Confinement.

But considering his hard Circumstances, and the Condition of his Affairs, the publick Disgrace and Treatment of a Criminal, which he had undergone, and though it was undesired, yet by this means his Credit, Interest, and the Authority of his Office were lost at *Cairo*, he found it impracticable to return thither; and therefore is come to *England* to seek some Redress of his Grievances: Hoping, That an *English* Man and a Magistrate in a publick Office, and settled therein for the Government and Protection of a National Commerce; who has suffered the Loss of his Liberty by an Arbitrary Imprisonment; the Loss of his Reputation by so manifest and scandalous a Disgrace, and a very great Loss of Estate, to the Value of above Four thousand Pounds, in his Office, and is now deprived of the Means to reimburse himself by any Profits of it; will not be without Remedy: And since he is not Conscious of any Crime or Misbehaviour in his Office, conceives his Case proper to be represented to the Queen by Petition:

Praying Her Majesty to Require from Her Ambassador, and the Turkey Company, the Reason of these Rigorous Proceedings; and that She will be Graciously pleased to Order Her Petitioner such Redress and Satisfaction, as She in Her Royal Wisdom shall think fit.

T H E
C A S E
OF SEVERAL
ENGLISH-CATHOLICKS
in Communion with the Church of *Rome*.

WHereas divers severe Laws have formerly been Enacted, whose rigour threatening an utter ruine to us, we must with all gratitude acknowledge has been diverted by a merciful moderation in the execution of them; we are by that mercy encouraged to believe, that it was not intended by the wisdom which framed those laws, or which at any time after desired or ordered the execution of them, that there should be any persecution of consciences truly tender, or men disquieted and cal'd in question for differences of opinion in matters of Religion, which do not disturb the peace of the Kingdom; and this we are the more inclined to believe because we dayly hear and reade it laid to our charge, that such of our Communion who have undergone the penaltys of those laws, have suffered not for Religion but Treason; and that for this reason, (as we conceive,) because it is commonly thought, that the principles of our Religion oblige us to believe in the Pope, a power inconsistent with the duty of good Subjects; As we cannot but with grief acknowledge, the doctrines and practises of some of our communion have given too much ground to such an apprehension, so we humbly crave leave to inform, that our Religion doth not oblige us to any such belief of the Popes power, on the contrary we for our parts are so far from believing such doctrines true, or such practises allowable, that we utterly detest both, and are fully perswaded in our consciences as we shall answer it to God.

That the Crown of *England* (according to antient declarations of Parliament, is and at all times hath been free, and in no earthly subjection, but is immediatly subject to God in all things, touching the regality of the same, and to none other.

That our Sovereign Lord King *Charles* is lawful and rightful King of this Realm, and of all other his Majesties Dominions and Countries, and has (under God) the Sovereignty and rule over all manner of persons born within these Realms, Dominions and Countries, of what Estate, either Ecclesiastical or temporal, soever they be, so as no foreign power shall or ought to have any superiority over them repugnant to the same.

That the Pope has no power or authority, direct or indirect, formal, virtual, eminential, or by whatever words it is, or may be phrased, either of himself, or by any authority of the Church or See of *Rome*, or by any other means, with any other, under pretence of insufficiency or crime, even of Apostacy Heresy Schisme or any other pretext, for any matter or cause whatsoever, to depose his sacred Majesty, or dispose of any of his Majesties Kingdoms or Dominions, or any part thereof, or to authorise any foreign Prince to invade or annoy him or his Country, or discharge any of his subjects of their allegiance and obedience to his Majesty, or give licence or leave to any of them to bear armes, raise tumults, or offer any violence or hurt to his Majesties Royal person, state or Government, or to any of his Majesties subjects within his Majesties Dominions; or suspend him from the exercise of his Regal power, or transfer the rights of his Crown to any other, or dispence with an oath taken, or to be taken by his subjects in recognition, and for assurance of their Allegiance, or do any act whereby the allegiance of his Subjects may in any sort be taken away or diminished.

Further, whereas we are informed, that it has been maintained by some, that in some cases particularly of Apostacy, Heresy and Schisme, a King cease to be a King, and is no longer for such to be acknowledged, but that his subjects, especially if the Pope by judicial sentence declare him to be fallen from his right to reign, and absolve his subjects from their obedience, are free from any tye of obedience to him, and at liberty to provide otherwise for the government; we are also fully perswaded this doctrine is very false and very wicked, and shall in all cases, notwithstanding any declaration or sentence of the Pope, whether of deprivation, deposition, excommunication or whatever it is, or may be for those, or any other cases or causes, bear true faith and allegiance to his Majesty, his heirs and Successors, according to the Laws of the land, and believe our selves obliged in conscience so to do; as likewise to stand by and defend him and them to the uttermost of our powers against all trayterous conspiracys and attempts whatsoever, which shall be made against his or their person, crown, or dignity, by reason of any such sentence or declaration or otherwise; and do our best to make known to his Majesty his heirs and Successors all treasons and traiterous conspiracies, which we shall know or hear to be against him or any of them.

Also we do from our hearts detest and are ready to abjure, this damnable doctrine and position, that Princes which be excommunicated or deprived by the Pope may be deposed or murdered by their subjects, or any other whatsoever.

The premises considered, and seeing we are ready, sincerely as in the sight of God without any equivocation or mental reservation to confirm all above said by oath or any thing else, which shall be necessary to wipe off those aspersions, which the doctrine and practises of some have cast upon our religion, and make out its consistency with civil government, and this in such manner and form of words as shall be prescribed, if through unweariness we have omitted any thing material, and to renounce all doctrines and practises contrary to the duty of good subjects, notwithstanding any Pardons or Dispensations whatsoever, we humbly sollicite that merciful inclination which we hope is powerful in all English breasts, that such of us as are fully perswaded as aforesaid, and shall give assurance of such perswasion in such manner as shall be thought expedient, may not be oppressed with the severity of those laws which we humbly conceive were intended against contrary principles; and that we may not be punished for the faults of others, & meerly for following the dictates of our consciences in matters of religion which do not disturb the peace of the Kingdom: but without pretence to offices or employments of trust may be admitted to such a proportion of mercy as shall be thought convenient.

Edmond Griffin, Esq;
Appellant.

John Lingard,
Respondent.

*The CASE of EDMOND GRIFFIN, Esq; upon his Appeal in
Parliament.*

July or August 1657. **R**ichard Griffin, the Appellants Father, in July or August 1657. conveys the Mannor of Bartherton, and all the Messuages and Lands therein to Jeffrey Minshall and his Heirs, and Edward Matthews and Henry Cole, who had prior Incumbrances joyned in the same Conveyance; and though there be 2100 l. or some such great Summ mentioned as the consideration; yet the same is defeazanced by Jeffrey Minshall to be a security only for 700 l. and on payment thereof to be reconveyed.

May 25. 1655. Con- Before this Conveyance the Appellants Father, viz. May 25. 1655. had conveyed parcel of the Premises veyance to Edmond. worth about 15 l. per annum, to Edmond Griffin his younger Brother, in recompence of 300 l. which he was to have for his portion wherewith the Premises stood charged by a Deed made by the Appellants Grandfather; which Conveyance, though prior to Minshalls, yet was subsequent to Matthews and Coles Incumbrances, and Minshall had also agreed, that all the Farms in Leases should be exempt from his Security; and though there were Words in his Conveyance to comprehend them, yet that was to take the Estate out of Matthews and Cole, and therefore to prevent future mistakes.

Nov. 5. 1657. De- Jeffrey Minshall, by Deed under his Hand and Seal, dated the 5th day of November, 1657. declares and feigns of Edmonds agrees that no Lands were intended to pass to him, but only such as were in the Actual Possession of Mathews, Land; and the Leased to Edmond Griffin, in Lieu of his Portion, and all Lands then in Lease, should not be intended to pass by his Lands. Conveyance.

Edmond Griffin accordingly enjoyed the Lands conveyed to him, and died about 20 years after; and then the same descended to the Appellant's Father, who enjoyed the same for his Life; and then they descended to the Appellant, who now enjoys the same, and the Rents and Services of the Leased Lands were enjoyed by the Appellant's Father for his Life, and by the Appellant since, who ought to have the Reversion thereof, as the Leases till; which Enjoyment being near 40 years, makes a good Title though the Appellant had no other.

That about the year, 1658. Jeffrey Minshall died, and his Estate came to Randal his Brother, and from him to one William Collington; and during their respective Times, several Accounts were stated, and Agreements made about the Redemption of the Premises; but by Minshall and Collington's Contrivances, who aimed at the Estate, the same were rendered fruitless.

Whatton's Mortgage, Randal Minshall and Collington, in the year, 1680. mortgaged to Whatton for 600 l. and about 1683. 1680. Whatton assigns to the Respondent, who sets off some Debts of his own, and advances a little Money, and 1683. Lingard had makes it up 1000 l. and in the year 1683. not only took notice of the Appellant's Father's Title, and exhibited his Bill against him; but in Easter-Term, 1684. had his Answer, whereby he set forth his Claims particularly.

August 1687. Account Yet the Respondent, to clog the Estate, and make it not worth Redemption, pretends to advance further Money; And the 22d of August, 1687. an Account is pretended to be stated betwixt Collington and him; whereby Collington agrees, 1685. l. to be then due, and Charges the same on the Premises to carry Interest from that time.

Appellant's Father The Appellant's Father died, 1684. and his Right descended to the Appellant, then an Infant, against dyed, 1684. whom the Cause was revived; and the Appellant in 1689. attained his Age, and exhibited his Cross-Bill in Appellant at Age Easter-Term, 1690. whereto the Respondent answers, and confesses he had notice of the Appellant's Father's 1689. Claim, when he had lent 1000 l.

Hearings Nov. 14. Both Causes came to Hearing, the 14th of November, 1690. and the Court declared there was no sufficient 1690. proof of Notice; and therefore if the Appellant would redeem, he ought to pay the Respondent his Principle and Interest, due on the foot of the last Account with Collington, with Costs both at Law and in that Court, and did Order and Decree that the Appellant should before the end of the Term, give his Answer to the Register, whether he would redeem on those Terms; and in the mean time ordered the Respondent to give him a Particular of his Demands.

Dec. 15. 1690. his By another order of the 15th Decemb. 1690. for default of the Appellants signing the Registers Book, Bill dismissed. to signify his consent to redeem on the Terms aforesaid, his Bill is dismissed, and he decreed to make farther assurance of the Premises mentioned to be conveyed to the Respondent, by his Conveyance and Deed of Mortgage, (wherein there are Words that comprehend both the Estate the Appellant hath, which was conveyed to Edmond Griffin for his Portion, and the Lands in Lease;) and this Appellant and his Tennants are now prosecuted for the same.

Exceptions against I. The Notice is sufficient, and therefore the Appellant ought not to be charged with any Money advanced, the Decree. after such notice; nor to be concluded by any account stated with Collington after that time.

II. The Appellant though he redeem, ought not to be charged with the Costs that the Respondent hath disburs'd, to support his own unjust pretensions; nor to be obliged to consent under his Hand to redeem on those Terms; neither ought his Bill for default thereof to be dismissed.

III. Though he redeem not the Premises, he ought not to be compelled to make any assurance of the Lands conveyed to his Uncle for his Portion, nor of the Leased Lands, these being exempt by the first Mortgagee, and the Appellant hath a good Title at Law to the same: And the Respondent is not deceived; for he is in possession of all that Minshall or Collington had, which was a sufficient security for what he had lent before notice.

Note. That after the Respondent had got this Decree, he gave the Appellant a note of 2220 l. 3 s. 4 d. which he claimed as due to him, though by his Answer, three Months before, he swears to 1850 l. only.

Note. That the Appellants Father was kept constantly in Suits by Minshall's contrivance, on purpose to disable him from redemption, and was so cheated in this matter, that he never had 300 l. of the 700 l. and yet hath lost the profit of the Estate above 30 years; and the Estate is above 100 l. per annum, and is 1000 l. worse then it was, by Felling and Selling of the Woods and Buildings, and other wast done by the Mortgagee, and those that claim under him.

The C A S E

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S^r. CHARLES HOLT Bar^r.

1655. **S**IR Robert Holt, Father of Sir Charles, mortgag'd the Mannors of *Busbwood* and *Lapworth*, &c. in the County of *Warwick*, to Mr. *Perrot*, for five hundred Years, to secure 2500 *l.* borrowed of Mr. *Perrot*.

1658. Sir Robert Holt borrowed 2500 *l.* more of Mr. *Perrot*, upon the same Mortgage, and some other additional Lands, amounting in all to about 700 *l. per annum*, and acknowledg'd a Recognizance of 8000 *l.* as a further Security for this Money.

1664. Sir Robert Holt borrowed 5000 *l.* of *William Gwavas* Esq; to pay off Mr. *Perrot*: and Mr. *Perrot* and Sir Robert Holt, by Mr. *Gwavas*'s Order, assign'd over the Mortgage and Recognizance to *Andrew Fountaine* Esq. The Mortgage was forfeited for non-Payment of the Money at the time limited: And in 1670 Mr. *Fountaine* enter'd on the greatest Part of the mortgag'd Estate, claiming the Mortgage-Money as his own Money, by Gift from Mr. *Coke*.

1671. Mr. *Gwavas* and others, Executors of Mr. *John Coke*, then late of *Holkham* in the County of *Norfolk* Esq; claimed the said 5000 *l.* as part of the personal Estate of Mr. *Coke*, placed out at Interest in Mr. *Fountaine*'s Name, in Trust for Mr. *Coke*: and in Easter-Term, 1672. the Executors preferred a Bill into the Court of Exchequer-Chamber, against Mr. *Fountaine* and Sir Robert Holt, for this Money; whereby Sir Robert Holt was disabled to pay either Principal or Interest, before the Cause was determin'd, unless he could have got the joint Consent of all Parties pretending a Right to the Money, which he could never obtain.

Mr. *Fountaine* being then a Member of the House of Commons, had his Privilege of Parliament, and by reason of the frequent Sessions and Adjournments of Parliament, there was little proceeding in this Cause till the Year 1678. but Mr. *Fountaine* received the Profits of part of the mortgag'd Estate for several Years, amounting to about 2400 *l.* beyond all Deductions.

In October 1679, Sir Robert Holt died, and the Reversion of the mortgag'd Estates descended to his Son and Heir Sir Charles Holt.

Sir Charles Holt waited for the Event of this Cause till Trinity-Term, 1681. and then finding it not likely to come to a speedy Issue, preferred a Bill of Interpleader into the Court of Exchequer-Chamber, against Mr. *Fountaine* and the Executors of Mr. *Coke*; in which Bill, and by several Motions afterward made by his Counsel, he offer'd to pay the Money, then due upon the Mortgage, into that Court, and provided the Money ready; but the Court would not receive it without Mr. *Fountaine*'s Consent, (which he always refused to give) yet ordered Sir Charles Holt to collect the Rents, and pay them into that Court.

In Trinity-Term, 1682. the Executors of Mr. *Coke* obtain'd a Decree against Mr. *Fountaine* for this Money, and Mr. *Fountaine* is ordered by this Decree to assign the Mortgage, and all Deeds relating to it, to Mr. *Coke*'s Executors, who are since declared by another Decree of the Court of Exchequer-Chamber, to be Executors in Trust for *Edward Coke* Esq; an Infant.

In Trinity-Term, 1693. the said *Edward Coke*, by the Right Noble the Marquess of *Carmarthen* his Guardian, obtained another Decree, for this Money, against Sir Charles Holt, in the Court of Exchequer-Chamber; and by a subsequent Order of that Court Sir Charles Holt was ordered to pay 2000 *l.* Rents of the mortgag'd Estate he had in his Hands, in a few Days, and the Residue at *Michaelmas*, 1694; and if it be not then paid, he is to be foreclosed of all Equity of Redemption of the mortgag'd Estate.

About 2800 *l.* has been paid for Interest, and received out of the Profits of the Estate. Sir Charles Holt has paid 3000 *l.* more into the Court of Exchequer, in obedience to an Order of that Court made in 1681; and 2000 *l.* more to Mr. *Coke*'s Guardian, in obedience to the last Decree.

Mr. *Fountaine*, who has the Estate in Law in him, and the Mortgage-Deeds in his Hands, has for eleven Years past refused to perform the Decree made against him in 1682, and still refuses: and Mr. *Coke*, to whom the Money is decreed to be paid, is not capable to transfer or vacate the Mortgage and Recognizance; by which Means Sir Charles Holt is not only kept out of the mortgag'd Estate, but is disabled to sell, or make any other Disposal of it: And his other Estates are incumbered with the Recognizance.

Sir Charles Holt being thus compelled to remain a Debtor, contrary to his own Desire, by reason of a dormant Trust, which neither his Father, nor himself, had any notice of, till it was too late to prevent the many Inconveniencies they have suffer'd by it; and the greatest part of the Debt having been already received out of the Rents, and recovered from him by Orders of the Court of Exchequer, and the Residue decreed to be paid by him, or his Estate to be taken from him, Humbly prays that the Mortgage and Recognizance for 8000 *l.* may, by Act of Parliament, (the only Remedy in this Case, as he is advis'd) be divested out of Mr. *Fountaine*, and bevested in Trustees, for raising the Money remaining due upon the Mortgage, and paying it into the Court of Exchequer-Chamber for the Use of such Person to whom it doth of Right belong; and for conveying the Residue of the Estate, after the Debt paid, to Sir Charles Holt.



T H E
C A S E
O F
WILLIAM ADDERLEY Esq;

Duly Elected a Burgess to serve in Parliament for the Burrough of *New Windsor* in the County of *Berks*.

Sir Christopher Wren, }
Henry Powle Esq; } Competitors.
William Adderley Esq; }

TH E Burrough of *New Windsor* sends Two Burgesses to serve in Parliament by Prescription.

By a Charter of *Edward the First*, the King Grants that, *Probi homines ejusdem Villæ sint Liberi Burgenses habeant Gildam Mercatoriam*, and Returns of Members of Parliament were made accordingly, and all *Henry the Sixth* time, the Returns were *Major & Communitas Burgensium elegerunt*, &c. such and such to serve in Parliament.

In the Sixth of *Edward the Fourth*, that King for expresse Consideration, that the Inhabitants of *Windsor* had quitted a Right of Common, in Two Hundred Acres of Land; (now His Majesties House Park there :) he Incorporates the Mayor, Bayliffs, Burgesses and Inhabitants, by the Name of Mayor, Bayliffs and Burgesses, whereby every Inhabitant became a Burgess of the Corporation, as well as of the Burrough.

That by the Charter of King *James the First*, they were then formed into a Select Number of Brothers of the Hall not exceeding Thirty, which (like the rest of the Charters,) makes no mention of sending Burgesses to Parliament.

Of late years the Selected Number of Brothers, not exceeding Thirty, have pretended to have the sole choice, but whenever that matter came to be determined by this Honourable House, their Pretences always proved groundless, as being contrary to all the antient Returns made of Members, to serve for that place; and particularly in *December 1640*. the Question being, whether the Inhabitants in General, or a Particular Choice by Mayor, Bayliffs, and some few of the Town should have Power of Election, this Honorable House then Unanimously Resolved, that the Inhabitants of Right, ought to Choose, and not the Special Men, which are the Words of the Journal.

The matter came again to be Controverted in *April 1679*, and the Question was, Whether the Mayor, Bayliffs and Burgesses, not exceeding the Number of Thirty, or the Inhabitants at large, had the Right to Vote in Election to Parliament; The House Resolved, That the Mayor, Bayliffs and Burgesses of *New Windsor*, not exceeding the Number of Thirty, had not the Right of Election of Members to serve in Parliament for the Burrough of *New Windsor*. And Secondly, Resolved, That *New Windsor* has a Right to send Burgesses to Parliament by Prescription. And Thirdly, Resolved, That all the Inhabitants of the Burrough of *New Windsor*, have the Right of Electing Members to serve in Parliament, and Mr. *Winwood* and Mr. *Starkey* had the Majority of the Inhabitants, (tho' the Mayor refused to admit their Voices) were by the House adjudged legally Chosen, and the Mayor ordered to amend the Return.

And Lastly, in *November 1680*, about the Election of *New Windsor*, this Honorable House again did Resolve, That in the Burrough of *New Windsor*, those Inhabitants who pay Scot and Lot, have a Right to give Voices in the Election of Burgesses to serve in Parliament for the said Burrough.

And on the day, and at the usual place of Election, viz. at the Market Cross, Mr. *Adderley* attended with the common Burgesses and Inhabitants, paying Scot and Lot, who duly chose the said Mr. *Adderley*, and thereupon Mr. *Adderley* went to the Town Hall, and demanded the Mayor to receive the Voices of the said Burgesses and Inhabitants, and Return him, being by them Chosen, who refused, saying, he would Return Sir Christopher *Wren* and Henry *Powle* Esq; for that he and his Brethren (being the Select Number) had Chosen them.

The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of
the Borough of Hertford. APPELLANTS.

Edward Hurst, and John Gray, for and on the
behalf of themselves and the rest of the Poor
of the same Borough. RESPONDANTS.

The Appellant's C A S E.

5 Oct. 17 Jacobus I. **S**IR John Walter and others, having a Term of 99 Years, Commencing from Lady-Day, in the 17th Year of James the First, in certain Lands called *Kings-Mead* in Hertford, (among other things) and the Corporation of Hertford, being about to Purchase from the Crown the Inheritance of the said Meadow.

28 Jun. 3 Car. I. The Corporation Purchased this 99 Years Term from the said Sir John Walter and others, in the Names of several Trustees made use of, in Trust for the Corporation.

30 Nov. 3 Car. I. The Corporation Purchased the Inheritance of the said Meadow from the Crown, to them, and their Successors, under a Fee Farm Rent of 4 *l.* 14 *s.* 4 *d.* reserved to the Crown. The Consideration of the Grant is 100 *l.* by them paid to the Crown. And the Consideration of the Assignment of the Term, is mentioned to be for a Competant Sum of Money.

14 January, 1645. Ever since this Grant, the Corporation has enjoyed this Meadow, until about Three Years last past, but have Yearly given to the Poor a Charity thereof of 40 *s.* by the Name of the *Grass-Money*.

1 March, 1681. In the Year 1645. in the times of Trouble, some Enemies of the Corporation, having taken out a Commission for Charitable Uses, and it having among other Things been thereupon found by Inquisition, that this Meadow was Purchased by the Corporation in Trust for the Benefit of the Poor of Hertford. It was Decreed by the Commissioners that the same did belong to the Poor.

13 September, 1708. But nothing was ever done upon this Decree, but the Meadow enjoyed by the Corporation as before. Another Commission for Charitable Uses having been taken out, and the Inquisition thereupon (among other things) finding the said Grant made from the Crown to the said Corporation: It was thereupon Decreed, That the said Grant from the Crown of this Meadow, was for the proper Use of the Corporation, without any Trust for the Poor.

November, 1709. Upon an other Commission taken out for Charitable Uses: It was found that the said Grant from the Crown, of the said Meadow, although absolutely made to the Corporation, and their Successors, without any Trust or Use therein mentioned to the Poor, yet that the same was in trust for the Poor, and it was thought fit on the 13th of September, 1708. to Decree (among other things) that this Meadow did belong to the Poor of Hertford, and that the Corporation should Account for the Rents and Profits thereof, from the 14th of January, 1645. and the yearly Value of the said Meadow was thereby ascertained at 15 *l.* 11 *s.* 10 *d.* It was Decreed that Interest at 5 *l.* per Cent. should be paid Annually, for the said Yearly Value of the said Meadow, and did Decree the Corporation to pay on the 19th of January then next, for the Use of the Poor the Sum of 2495 *l.* 7 *s.* deducting thereout the said 100 *l.* and Interest paid by the Corporation to the Crown, for the said Grant of the Inheritance.

On Exceptions taken by the Corporation to this last Decree of the Commissioners, and the same coming on before the late Lord Chancellor Comper in November, 1709. his Lordship was pleased to Decree that the Corporation ought to be charged with certain Rents, called *Hodges-Rents* in such Inquisition, or Decree mentioned from Michaelmas, 1646. inclusive, of 3 *l.* 13 *s.* 4 *d.* per Annum. deducting thereout the Yearly Sum of 11 *l.* 6 *s.* 8 *d.* which the Exceptants did Annually pay to the Poor of the Corporation, and with the Sum of 29 *l.* for a Fine received by the Exceptants for the said *Hodges-Rents*, together with Interest for the same, from the 1st of September, 1701. and that as to the said Meadow called *King's-Mead*, the said Lord Chancellor Decreed that the Grant thereof was Procured by Petitions, preferred to the Crown on the behalf of the Poor, and that the same was a Charity for the Poor, and Decreed that the Corporation should Account for the Rents and Profits of the said Meadow called *King's-Mead*, from Michaelmas, 1646. Inclusive and for the avoiding of the Delay and Charge of Examining into the Value of the said Meadow, it should be Accounted for, at 14 *l.* per Annum, and that upon the said Account, the Corporation should be allowed the 100 *l.* paid by them for the Purchase of the said Meadow, together with the Interest thereof, and should likewise be allowed the said reserved Fee Farm Rent of 4 *l.* 14 *s.* 4 *d.* and likewise what the Corporation paid for Taxes. And in the taking of the said Account, the Master to whom the same was referred, was to make a rest from Year to Year, and when on the said Account, it should appear the said 100 *l.* and Interest was satisfied from thenceforth, the Master was to allow the Corporation 40 *s.* Yearly, as paid to the Poor for *Grass-Money*, and when it should appear upon the said Account that there was due to the Poor according to that manner of Accounting the Sum of 100 *l.* the same was to carry Interest at 5 *l.* per Cent. for the Benefit of the said Poor, and in like manner for every 100 *l.* as should be so found due to the Poor.

10 July, 1710. The Master by his Report amongst other Things, Certified, That the said 100 *l.* and Interest was satisfied at Michaelmas, 1661. and from that time he allowed to the Corporation the Sum of 40 *s.* Annually as paid to the Poor for *Grass-Money*: But the Master instead of carrying on that Account in respect of the said *Mead* separate and distinct, as its apprehended according to the late Lord Chancellor's Decree, (he ought to have done) has interwoven and blended the same, together with the said Charity called *Hodges Rents*, of 3 *l.* 13 *s.* 4 *s.* per Annum, and with the said Sum of 20 *l.* and Interest as received by the Corporation as a Fine on the First of September, 1701. and by his said Report, he has Charged the said Corporation as Debtor to the Poor in the Sum of 898 *l.* 15 *s.* 3 *d.* which Report was afterwards Confirmed.

By which said Decree, and the Report made thereupon, the Appellants humbly insist that they are Aggrieved, and Appeal to Your Lordships from the same (in regard as the Appellants humbly insist) there is no sufficient Evidence to prove the said *King's-Mead* to be a Charitable Estate; It having been granted by the Crown to the Appellants, the Corporation and their Successors, without any Trust therein mentioned for the Poor, and the Purchase-Money thereof was paid by the Corporation, and ever since the Grant thereof, which is near 90 Years, this Meadow has been Enjoyed by the said Appellants until the late Decree of the said late Lord Chancellor pronounced in 1709. And whereas the said Decree of the late Lord Chancellor seems chiefly to be founded upon Applications made to the Crown for obtaining the said Grant of the said Meadow, yet the Appellants humbly insist that such Petitions and the Answers thereunto related chiefly to the Right of Commoning in the said *Mead*, and to have a Dispute settled between the Inhabitants in the then Ancient Cottages, and the Inhabitants in the then new or latter Erected Cottages, touching their Right of Commoning in the said *Mead*.

But if there was sufficient Evidence to Decree the said Meadow to be a Charity Estate, which is no ways admitted by your Petitioners; yet the Appellants are aggrieved in not being allowed the Charges of procuring and passing the said Grant from the Crown of the Inheritance of the said Meadow, over and above the said 100 *l.* which by the Books made use of as Evidence against the Appellants appears to be 50 *l.* Neither are the Appellants allowed any Consideration either for the Purchase-Money paid, or for the Charges of taking in the Assignment of the 99 Years Term.

And for that the Allowance Decreed to be made unto the Appellants for the said *Grass-Money*, is by the said Decree restrained from being allowed to the Appellants until such time as the 100 *l.* and Interest was satisfied, which as is reported by the said Master was not till Michaelmas, 1661. Whereas the Appellants humbly insist (in Reason and Justice) if the Appellants ought at any time to be allowed for the said *Grass-Money*, which is admitted they ought, the same ought to be allowed them in the said Account, from the time they paid the same, which will vary the Account several Hundred Pounds, and will more then Discharge the whole pretended Debt due from the Appellants.

And for that the Appellants are Charged by the said Decree to Account for for the said Meadow at the yearly Rent of 14 *l.* Whereas it is neither proved in the Cause, nor in Fact; is it true, that the said Meadow is of that Clear yearly Value, and it is always allowed where the Value of any Thing is Controverted to have the same settled by Proofs, or if very doubtful by a Tryal: But the same was denied to the Appellants in this Case, whereby the Appellants were deprived of that Right which every Suitor as these Appellants are advised by the Rules and Justice of a Court of Equity ought to have to Exonerate themselves upon the Account of any uncertain Charge.

And for that the said Master in his said Report, hath not perused the Decree in taking the Account separate of the Rents and Profits of the said *King's-Mead*, and of the said *Hodges Rents*, but has blended the same together, whereby the 100 *l.* laid out by the Appellants for the Purchase of the Inheritance of the said Meadow, together with the Interest thereof, is rendered sooner satisfied then really it was, and the Account thereby greatly varied to the prejudice of the Appellants.

For which Reasons amongst many others, the Appellants humbly Appeal from the said Decree and Masters Report, and humbly pray the same may be Rectified.

Tho. Powys.
Edw. Noribey.



THE
Appellant's CASE.

The Mayor, Aldermen and Commu-
nality of the Borough of *Hertford*,

APPELLANTS.

The Poor of the same Burrough.

RESPONDANTS.

To be Heard at the Bar of the House
of Lords the 3d. of *June*, 1713;

K. Hertford, Town of

THE CASE OF THE CONTRACTORS FOR Making Copper Half-pence and Farthings.

That Complaint was made in the Year 1693, to the House of Commons, of the great Number of the Counterfeit Tin Half-pence and Farthings; whereupon on the 20th of *April* 1694, the House of Commons, by an Address, Represented to His Majesty, That the Tin Half-pence and Farthings being easie to be Counterfeited, were become an Obstruction to Trade, and a Grievance to the Subject, and therefore besought His Majesty, That the Farthings and Half-pence to be made for the future might be of *English* Metall, to be Coined in His Majesty's Mint, and to Order such of the then Tin Farthings and Half-pence as were not Counterfeited, to be Exchanged.

To which Address His Majesty was pleased to give an Answer, That he would do in this as far as was Consistent with the Publick Good.

That accordingly by Letters Patents dated the 27th of *June* 1694, Their Majesties Granted to the Contractors the Making of Half-pence and Farthings of *English* Copper, (as not to be Counterfeited) to be Coined in the Tower of *London* for Seven years from *Midsummer* then past, so as the Quantity in that time did not exceed 700 Tuns; upon Condition, that the Contractors should Exchange all the Tin Farthings and Half-pence for a like Number in Tale of Copper Farthings and Half-pence, not exceeding 200 *l.* a Week during the said Term, and hereupon the Contractors did proceed on the said Patent.

That on the 13th of *January* 1695, when the Contractors had Coined and Issued about 170 Tuns of Copper Half-pence and Farthings, Complaint was made to the House of Commons of the Scarcity of Half-pence and Farthings for some time then past, and at that time, and that the Patentees did make the same of Base Copper, and refused to deliver out any but for Mill'd and Broad Unclipp'd Money, and at Ten or Fifteen Pounds *per Cent.* and refused to Exchange Tin Farthings; whereupon the House of Commons did Direct,

That a Committee should be appointed to Consider the Matter of the said Complaint, and of the said Patent. and to Examine and Report the same, with their Opinion thereupon to the House, and a Committee was accordingly appointed.

That the Makers of the *English* Copper taking Advantage of this Complaint, did then raise the Copper from 100 *l.* to 120 *l.* *per Tun*, and the Contractors to Justifie themselves against this Complaint, were thereupon forced to Agree for 70 Tuns at 120 *l.* *per Tun*, which was to their prejudice 1440 *l.*

That the Contractors were before the Committee of the House of Commons on this Complaint, from the said 13th of *January*, 1695, to the 6th of *April*, 1696. and then the Resolutions of the said Committee were Agreed unto by the House, and were as follows, *viz.*

That (upon Examination of the Matter of the said Complaint) the Patentees have made the said Farthings and Half-pence of good Copper, according to the Direction of the Patent.

That the said Patentees have exchanged and delivered out Copper Half-pence and Farthings for Gold and Current Silver Money, at the common Value, without any further Recompence.

That the said Patentees have Exchanged 200 *l.* a Week of Tin Farthings and Half-pence, for 200 *l.* of the like Value in Copper Half-pence and Farthings, pursuant to their Patent.

That the Contractors have Coined 509 Tuns of Copper Half-pence and Farthings, and have exchanged Tin Farthings and Half-pence, in tale, amounting to 38400 *l.* whereby they have lost, over and above all their Profit in the Copper Half-pence and Farthings, 6280 *l.* (200 *l.* in tale, in Tin Farthings making only 60 *l.* worth of 1 in Metall.)

That in prohibiting the Coinage last Year, the Contractors were further Damified, by keeping their Servants and Office, and a great Stock to carry on the Work, about 700 *l.* and have nothing to make them Recompence for all the afore-said Loss, and Trouble in the Management of this Affair (which has been very great) but the Profit arising by the remaining Coinage, being 191 Tuns, amounting in tale to 38000 *l.* which Sum is not sufficient to supply the Want of the Kingdom, wherein in some Places have Farthings convenient, yet other Places have few or none at all.

That there is a Bill brought up to the Lords from the Commons to stop the Contractors Coinage for another Year, which in effect is to stop them for ever, because they shall then have but One Year to Coin the remaining Quantity, which is too short time for that Purpose; and the Contractors could neither obtain Satisfaction there for their said Losses, nor Liberty to perform their said Contract.

The Case of Thomas Earl of Pembroke.



EARL WILLIAM being Brother of the half Blood to the late Earl *Philip*, and the now Earl *Thomas*, and seised in fee of several Mannors and Lands, to the intent his Estate should go with the Honour, and not be severed from it by descent to his right Heir, and looking upon the late Earl *Philip* to be an ill Husband, gave express direction to the person whom he intrusted to draw his Will, to make his said Brother but Tenant for Life, with Remainders to his Issue Male, so as his said Brother should have no power to alter the Estate, with Remainder to his Brother now Earl *Thomas*. AND when he published his Will, he understood his Brother *Philip* would THEREBY be but Tenant for Life: And it was so Declared by the person who drew it, and so understood by several Persons then present: But by the unskillful and loose penning of the Will in Construction of Law, Earl *Philip* was THEREBY made Tenant in Tail, contrary to the express Will and Direction of Earl *William*, subject nevertheless to the payment of Earl *William's* Debts, which was not discovered till after Earl *William's* Death.

EARL PHILIP becoming thus seised of his Brothers Estate, and likewise seised of several Mannors, whereof the Reversion was in the Crown, by Grant from the Crown, in Order to pay the Debts of Earl *William*, and to preserve Earl *William's* Estate to go with the Honor, did apply himself to his late Majesty, to have the Reversion of the Mannor and Park of *Ramsbury*, in *Com. Wilts*, granted to him, (being the least profitable part of the Estate) out of the Crown, in order to make Sale thereof for payment of his Brother's Debts; And to Induce his Majesty to grant him the Reversion, did promise to Settle as much of the Lands Deviled to him by Earl *William's* Will, in Recompence thereof to go along with the Honor.

AFTER the Sale of *Ramsbury*, and part of the Purchase Money applied towards the payment of Earl *William's* Debts, and the residue disposed of by Earl *Philip*, Earl *Philip* suffered Recoveries of several parts of the Estate, whereof he had a power by the mispenning of Earl *William's* Will and thereby became Tenant in Fee-Simple.

TO inable Earl *Philip* to suffer such Recoveries, the Executors of Earl *William* in breach of the Trust reposed in them, conveyed those Lands to Earl *Philip*, before the Debts of Earl *William* were paid; Whereas by the Will they were not to settle the Estate upon Earl *Philip*, and after upon Earl *Thomas*, till after the Debts paid.

EARL *PHILIP* being thus seised in Fee, did frequently in his Life-time declare his firm Resolution of settling his Estate to go with the Honor, according to the intention of his Brother Earl *William*, and his own promise to his Majesty: And that his Daughter should have only 10000 *l.* which was her Mothers Portion, but not his Lands,

AND in pursuance of such his constant Resolutions about Four days before his Death, did order one of his Officers to send for his Council to make his Settlement or Will to that purpose, then also using some Expressions that his Daughter should have no part of his Estate, only her Mothers Portion: But the person employed to send for his Council not looking upon the Earl to be near his Death, neglected to send for his Council: And so Earl *Philip* was suddenly surpris'd with Death, without any Will or Settlement according to his Intentions. WHEREBY several parts of the Estate did descend upon his Daughter an Infant, and will be severed from the Honor, contrary to the true intent and meaning of Earl *William*, and Earl *Philip*.

EARL THOMAS since the late Earls Death, hath paid some Hundreds of pounds of Earl *William's* Debts. The Welch Estate stands charged with 8000 *l.* to the Sisters of Earl *Thomas*, and 500 *l. per annum* to Earl *Thomas* for Life, and 1500 *l. per annum* to the Countess Dowager of *Pembroke*, Relict of Earl *Philip*, which amount Annually to near the whole profits of that Estate. AND several of the Lands lying in *Wiltshire* Descended to the Daughter, have so long been intermixed with the Crown Lands enjoyed together by the Family, that it is hardly possible to distinguish the one from the other, besides many Disputes have arisen, and more are likely to arise about the extent of the Recoveries suffered by Earl *Philip*, what Lands are comprehended within them.

THE Debts of Earl *Philip* are many Thousand pounds, a great part of them Book Debts to Tradesmen, in the payment whereof the Honor of the Family will be greatly concerned: And yet cannot be paid without the Aid of an Act of Parliament.

THESE things alledged by the Earl, will be made out by many Witnesses.

WHICH when done, he conceives it will appear most agreeable to Justice and Equity, that the Estate of so antient a Family be Settled by Act of Parliament to go with the Honor, according to the direction of the Earl *William*, and the constant resolutions of Earl *Philip*, and his promise to his late Majesty, charged with the Jointure of the Countess Dowager, and Ten Thousand pounds Portion to the Lady *Charlot*, Daughter of Earl *Philip*, to be paid at her Age of Sixteen, or Day of Marriage, and 400 *l. per annum* for her Maintenance in the mean time, which will be more than the Estate descended to her can at present answer for her Maintenance: And a competent provision made for the payment of such Debts of Earl *Philip*, as his personal Estate will not reach to pay.



The CASE of the
CONTRACTORS

*For Making Copper Half-
pence and Farthings.*

To shew the Countreys consent for the drayning of *Lindsey Levell*.

1.  He Commission of Sewers was before all other Courts of Record, and a Decree of Sewers for non-payment of Taxes, Enrolled in *Chancery* with the Royal Assent, under the Great Seal is only controlable in Parliament, and all our Decrees are so Enrolled.

2. By many antient Records, (now in Mr. *Goldsbrough's* Custody) 'tis evident that these Fenns called *Lindsey Level* now in question, were hurtfully surrounded with Waters, some hundred years since, and have been severall times endeavoured to be drayned by severall Persons of great quality, but could not; which shews the Countreys desire and consent to the drayning in those dayes.

3. By the Countreys proffer to Sir *Anthony Thomas*, and Sir *William Aulse* to drayn the said Fenns, 'tis evident these Lands did need drayning, and that the Countrey did Consent, and desire to have them drayned.

4. By *Edmund Jackson* Mayor of *Boston*, Sir *Anthony Irbie*, *Fohn Brown*, *Robert Callis* Serjeant at Law, *Herbert Pelham*, *Richard Skipper*, *Leonard Cammack*, *George Thorold*, *Richard Barfoot*, and the rest of the Commissioners, certifying the late King of the need of drayning, and their Compliance and Assistance therein, the Countreys consent for drayning is again declared.

5. By the Countreys publick and joyfull reception of the Earl of *Lindsey* to be drayner, when recommended by the late King, their consent is further declared.

6. By the Commissioners viewing all the drowned Lands in Boats, from one end of the *Level* to the other, and then laying severall Taxes for three years time (which were not paid) and thereby declared their consent, and desire to have the drayning proceed, because if the Taxes had been pay'd, the Earl could not be Undertaker.

7. By Sir *Charles Huseyes* Bill put into this House, and promoted by all the Members that serve for *Lincolnshire*, 'tis evident they did consent, and desire to be drayned.

8. The Commissioners being 32 persons of eminent quality, most of them, and many Lords and owners of the said Fenns, did after three years treating in presence of many thousand Commoners at a publick Sessions of Sewers, proffer and contract with the Earl of *Lindsey* for 24000 Acres as a compensation, for his charge and hazard of drayning the said *Level*, and no Commissioners dissenting, and this done in the face of many thousand Commoners in open Court no man dissenting, but with loud Acclamations of joy attended the Earl to his lodging, which did sufficiently declare their free consents.

9. Note that the Commissioners of Sewers were then 217 persons whereof were

Earles	13.
Barrons	5.
Knights	43.
Esquires	93.
Gent.	63.

in all 217.

10. Of which number the Commissioners that acted in viewing and taxing the Lands and making the contract, and all the other Decrees, were 78 Commissioners, most of them Lords and owners, whereas by the Law of Sewers, Six Commissioners are sufficient; publick notice being given for every Session, which was strictly observed, by which those Commissioners who appeared not, are included as consenting; and what ever is so decreed by the Bench in the face of the Country so publickly Summoned, is taken for the consent of all men any way Interessed, unless some do oppose, which no man did during the Earls three years treaty, nor at his Contract making, nor in two years more, before he began to work, nor in all the time of making the Works, in Building, and Planting, being about nine years time spent.

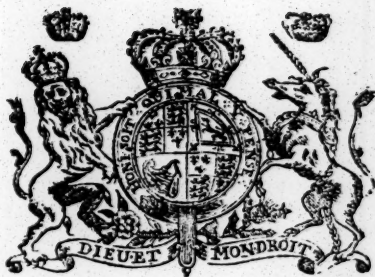
Note also that the Countrey people did make all the Works, built all the drayners houses, Planted and plowed their Lands, brought in their Harvests two years, and received all their Moneys, and no one word of dislike to the drayning, but all encouragement to the Work, which shewed a full consent; though the Commissioners have full power to make such Contracts, and to order such publick Works, for an universal good to the Nation, if any froward perverse men should oppose; all this well considered, 'tis not possible to have a more unanimous consent from a whole Countrey, nor is it at all required, or any where practised that every individual man should consent: If this Work had been disliked in those days, why did not these mens fathers (who call themselves Lords of the Fenns) oppose the Earl in the least word, which would have deterred him and his Participants from laying out such vast Sums of Money; But now thirty years after an expence of 80 thousand pounds, invited to it by such an universal desire, and so great applause, 'tis strange that these unjust Clamours, and more unjust demands should now arise.

Note that the Commissioners do covenant in their Contract with the Earl to become Sutors to the next parliament to confirm it by an Act, by which it is evident there was neither fraud nor compulsion on the Earls part, and so full and chearfull consent from the Countrey, as cannot be more expected; all which has been proved at severall times at the House Barr, by the Records, and divers Witnesses of good quality, and Commoners of that Countrey; And thus we conceive that we have shewed a general unanimous consent of all the Commissioners, and also of all the Countrey, in those days, when those who now oppose were very young.

The 16. of *March*,
1670.

William Killigrew.

Henry Heron.



By the King, A PROCLAMATION,

For Observation of the Thirtieth Day of *January*, as a Day of Fast and Humiliation,
according to the late Act of Parliament for that purpose.

CHARLES R.



Whereas in Our late Parliament held at Westminster, in the Twelfth year of Our Reign, The Lords and Commons there, in Assembled did shew and declare unto Us, That the execrable Murder of Our Royal Father CHARLES the first, of ever Blessed and Glorious Memory, hath been committed by a Party of wretched Men, desperately wicked and hardened in their Impiety, who having first plotted and contrived the ruine and destruction of this Excellent Monarchy, and with it the true Reformed Protestant Religion, which had been so long Protected by it, and flourished under it, found it necessary in order to the carrying on of their pernicious and traiterous Designs, to throw down all the Bulwarks and Fences of Law, and to subvert the very being and constitution of Parliament, That so they might at last make their way open for any further Attempts upon His Person: And for the more easie effecting thereof, they did then first seduce some part of the then Army into a compliance, and then kept the rest in subjection to them, partly for hope of Preferment, and chiefly for fear of losing their Employments and Arrears, until by these and other more odious Acts and Devices they had fully strengthened themselves both in Power and Faction: Which being done, they did Declare against all manner of Treaty with the Person of Our Royal Father, even then when a Treaty by Advice of both Houses of Parliament was in being, and did Remonstrate against the Houses of Parliament for such Proceedings, and seiz'd upon the Person of Our Royal Father, while the Commissioners were returned to the Houses of Parliament with his Answer: And when his Concessions had been Voted a ground for Peace, seize upon the House of Commons, Seclude and Imprison some Members, force out others: And there being left but a small remnant of their own creatures (not a tenth part of the whole) did seek to shelter themselves by this weak pretence, under the name and authority of a Parliament, and in that name laboured to prosecute what was yet behind, and unfinished of their long intended Treason and Conspiracy: To that purpose they prepared an Ordinance for creating a prodigious and unheard of Tribunal, which they called, An High Court of Justice, for Trial of His Majesty, Our most Dear Father: And having easily procured it to pass their House of Commons, as it then stood moulded, ventured to send it up from thence to the Peers, then sitting, who totally rejected it: Whereupon their rage and fury increasing, they presumed to pass it alone as an Act of the Commons, and in the name of the Commons of England: and having gained the pretence of a Law made by the power of their own making, pursued it with all possible force and cruelty, until at last upon the Thirtieth day of January, One thousand six hundred forty and eight, His Sacred Majesty, Our late Dear Father, was brought unto a Scaffold, and there publicly murdered before the Gates of his own Royal Palace. And because by this horrid Action, the Protestant Religion hath received the greatest wound and reproach, and the people of England, the most insupportable shame and infamy that it is possible for the Enemies of God and the King to bring upon them, whilst the fanatick rage of a few miscreants (who were as far from being true Protestants, as they were from being true Subjects) stands imputed by Our Adversaries to the whole Nation. They the said Lords and Commons in Parliament Assembled, did therefore renounce, abominate, and protest against that Impious fact, the execrable Murder and unparalleled Treason committed against the Sacred Person and Life of Our most Royal Father, and did beseech Us that it might be Declared: And it is by the said Act Declared, That by the undoubted Fundamental Laws of this Kingdom, neither the Peers of the Realm, nor the Commons, nor both together in Parliament, nor the People collectively or representatively, nor any other persons whatsoever, ever had, hath, or ought to have any coercive power over the Persons of the Kings of this Realm. And for the better vindication of themselves to posterity, and as a lasting Monument of their otherwise interpellable detestation and abhorrency of that villainous and abominable fact, They did further beseech Us that it might be Enacted: And it is thereby Enacted, That every Thirtieth day of January (unless it should fall out to be on the Lords Day, and then the next day following) should be for ever thereafter set apart to be kept and observed in all Our Churches and Chapels of our Kingdoms of England and Ireland, Dominion of Wales, and Town of Berwick upon Tweed, and the Isles of Jersey and Guernsey, and all other Our Dominions, as an Anniversary Day of Fasting and Humiliation, to implore the Mercy of God: That neither the guilt of that Sacred and Innocent Blood, nor those other sins by which God was provoked to deliver up both them and their King into the hands of cruel and unreasonable men, might at any time after be visited upon them or their Posterity, as by the said Act amongst other things at large appeareth. We being very sensible of the Pious and good intentions of Our said Dutiful and Loyal Subjects: and holding Our Self obliged to do Our utmost endeavour that a work so much tending to the honour and acknowledgment of the infinite Mercies of Our good and gracious God, who hath been pleased not only to restore Us to the Throne of Our Ancestors, from which We were long detained, and Our said good Subjects to their Rights and Liberties, and the Nation to Peace, after a bloody and unnatural War, and tending to a due acknowledgment of the sins which provoked the Justice of God so far as justly to deliver up these Nations to the many and deplorable Calamities which proceeded from, and ensued that horrid and bloody murder of Our most Dear Father, Do strictly Command and Enjoin all Our loving Subjects, of what degree, quality or condition soever, solemnly and humbly to conform themselves, and give obedience to the said Act of Parliament, and to set apart, and observe the Thirtieth day of January this present year, and so from time to time every Thirtieth day of January every year, as a day of Fasting and Humiliation for the purposes in the said Act of Parliament mentioned: And to that end We Command all Archbishops, Bishops, Parsons, Vicars, Ministers, and other Ecclesiastical Persons in their several Charges, according to their several Duties to take care hereof, and to cause this our Proclamation to be yearly read in all Churches and Chapels the Sunday before the said Fast is to be observed. And We strictly Command all persons whatsoever, for the better observation of the said Day, to abstain from all servile Works and Business on that Day, and meekly and orderly to repair to the publick place for Divine Worship, to beseech God for his Mercy, and to humble themselves in his sight, according to the good intention of the said Act. And We declare, That such persons as shall be faulty herein, shall be esteemed by Us, Contemners and Infringers of Our Laws and Commands, and Profane persons, who wilfully shut their eyes, both against the Judgments and Mercies of Almighty God.

Given at Our Court at *Whitehall*, the Twenty fifth Day of *January*, in the Twelfth Year of Our Reign, One thousand six hundred and sixty.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

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The C A S E of Charles Howard Esq;

A P P E L L A N T.

Humbly offered to the Consideration of the Right Honorable the LORDS SPIRITUAL and TEMPORAL in PARLIAMENT ASSEMBLED.

THAT Henry late Earl of Arundel intending a Provision for his younger Children, by Deed, made by advice of Sir Orlando Bridgman, Sir Jeoffry Palmer, and other Eminent Lawyers, Did Grant and Settle the Barony of Greystock, &c. (of the value of Five hundred pounds per Annum) for 200 years, in the Marquess of Dorchester and other Trustees, In trust, That they should permit his second Son Henry, and the Heirs Males of his Body, to receive the profits thereof, until such time as by the death of his Eldest Son Thomas, without Issue Male, in the life time of Henry, or after the death of the said Thomas, by failure of his Issue Male, the Earldom of Arundel should descend to Henry; and that upon the Descent of the Earldom of Arundel to Henry, all the Benefit of the Trust for Henry or his Heirs should cease, and the Trustees from thenceforth hold it in Trust for Charles, during all the residue of the said term of 200 years, as by the Deeds more fully may appear.

By vertue of which Settlement, Henry received the Profits of the said Barony, until, by the Death of Duke Thomas without Issue, the Earldom of Arundel descended unto him, about the first of November 1677. By which means, the Trust for Henry did cease; and then Charles expected to enjoy his Right, according to the Directions of the Trust aforesaid.

But the said Henry, late Duke of Norfolk, having secretly gotten a Surrender of the Trust to himself, kept the Possession, until, by a tedious and chargeable Prosecution of a Suit depending in the High and Honorable Court of Chancery, wherein Charles Howard was Plaintiff against his Grace the late Duke of Norfolk, the Right Honorable the late Marquess of Dorchester, and Richard Mariot Defendants.

And whilst the Suit was yet depending, the now Duke of Norfolk obtained a Conveyance of the Premises from his Father, notwithstanding the humble Request of his Uncle Charles to the contrary, and immediately became a Party Defendant with his Father, and in his Answer, confessed all his Uncle Charles his Right and Title as fully and wholly as Charles did set it forth in his Bill, and that Richard Mariot delivered up the Trust into his Fathers Hands to the intent the term of 200 years to Charles might be merged and extinguished, as more at large appears by his Graces Answer in Chancery upon Record.

The Cause being at Issue, came to be heard before the late Lord Chancellor the Earl of Nottingham, on the 17th. of June, in the 34th. year of His late Majesties Reign, whose Lordship, after several days hearing of Council on both sides, was pleased to declare his Opinion to be: That Charles had a good Title to the Barony of Greystock, and other the Lands in question, and in the Bill mentioned:

Therefore decreed the Defendants to account to him for the Profits thereof, by them or any of them received after the Death of Thomas late Duke of Norfolk; or which they might have received without their own wilful Default; and in order thereunto, directed an Account before a Master, and decreed the Defendants to pay what should be reported due; and that they should forthwith deliver Possession to Charles of all the said Premises: To hold, for the Residue of the Term of 200 years (mentioned therein) then to come and unexpired, and to convey the same as the Master should direct.

Which Decree was afterwards signed and enrolled, and Charles actually vested in the Possession of the said Mannors and Premises; the which he well hoped he should have enjoyed, being his undoubted Right.

But the Defendants, the late Duke of Norfolk, the Lord Mowbray, now Duke of Norfolk, and Richard Mariot, before they had performed the said Decree, by paying the Money by them received out of the said Premises, exhibited a Bill of Review, for reversing the said Decree; to which Charles put in a Plea and Demurrer, the which coming to be argued on the 15th. of May, in the 35th. year of the Reign of the late King Charles the Second of glorious Memory, before the Right Honorable the Lord Keeper of the Great Seal of England.

His Lordship, after hearing Council on both sides, not only over-ruled the said Plea and Demurrer, but reversed the Decree aforesaid, and ordered a Writ or Writs of Restitution to be directed to the Sheriffs of Cumberland and Westmerland to put the said Plaintiffs in the Bill of Review in Possession, which accordingly was done.

All which Doings and Proceedings, Charles is advised, are contrary to Equity and Justice, and tend inevitably to his Ruine, unless relieved by the Justice of the most Honorable House of Lords, the Supreme Court of Judicature within this Kingdom.

The Heads of an Act desired to Incorporate the Undertakers for draining DEEPING-FENNS.

WHereas by an Act of Parliament made in the 16 and 17th years of His late Majesties Reign, of ever blessed Memory, Intituled, An Act for draining of *Deeping-Fenns*, and other Fenns therein mentioned, *Edward* Earl of *Manchester*, and others therein Named, are declared Undertakers for draining the said Fenns; And whereas by one other Act made in the Two and twentieth year of the Reign of his said late Majesty, Intituled, An Act for settling the draining of the said Fenns, by which, the Lands given them by the first mentioned Act, are settled and vested in them, and other Powers and Priviledges thereby granted them.

And whereas *Robert* Earl of *Ailsbury*, *John* Lord *Bellafyse*, *John* Lord *Berkley* of *Stratton*, &c. are become the Assignees of the said Undertakers, who for the more easie and ready way for raising of Moneys on emergent occasions, and for the better Government and Regulating the works, for preserving and maintaining the said Fenns, desire to be made a Corporation, and to have a Common Seal, the said Earl of *Ailsbury* to be the first Governour, during his Life; and every owner of 250 Acres to be a Conservator, and Member of the said Corporation, with Liberty for any two of the said Conservators to administer an Oath to the Governour, that he shall well and truly execute the said Office, and that the Governour, or any two of the said Conservators, may administer the like Oath to every Conservator, and other their Officers, before they shall act in their Respective Offices; and after the Death of the said Earl, the major part of the Conservators, to chuse a new Governour yearly, at their publick meeting at *Spalding*.

And all the Works, Powers, Priviledges and Authorities given to the said Undertakers by the said Acts, be settled and confirmed in the said Corporation, and the 10036 Acres to remain and be in the Assignees of the said Trustees.

Provided that the common Seal shall not be fixed for the raising any Money, but 14 days notice shall be first given to every Conservator, of the time and place of a meeting, appointed by the Governour, for the effecting thereof.

And that so much of the Lands shall hereafter be sold for the Arrears of Taxes and Penalties only, as shall be sufficient for raising the same; and that publick notice thereof be first given, by affixing a writing (setting forth the particulars of such Lands, and the Owners) at the Shire-house at *Spalding*, at least two Market days before such Sale.

And that no Tenant for years shall be removed by such Sale, but shall enjoy the remainder of his term, paying his Rent to the Purchaser.

And that all power given to the Commissioners of Sewers by the said Acts, shall be continued against the said Corporation in like manner as before against the said Undertakers.

The Case of the Undertakers for the Draining of Deeping-Fenns, as to a Pretended Adjudication.

THE First Act of Parliament was made in 1664. at the earnest desire of the Country; which then was in manifest danger of being utterly lost, as appears by the Preamble to the said Act. But by reason of some Discouragements in the said Act, the Work was not proceeded in till the Passing the New Act in 1668. and then the Work was vigorously proceeded on; and in the Year 1671. the said Fenn was laid dry, and depasturable for Cattel at all times of the Year, and Crops of Corn sown and reaped in it.

All the Country Banks which were charged on the Undertakers by the said Act, were all substantially repaired, much better than when at the Countries keeping; and several other Advantages and Improvements made to the Country, at the Undertakers Charge.

All which notwithstanding, the Commissioners of Sewers proved very unkind, and on the least occasion would award very great Damages the one to the other: Some, when the Undertakers were but in part guilty; others, where they were no way guilty, or concerned at all. And all this, without any Summons, or Hearing of Parties, or any Testimony upon Oath: And in some other Cases, where the Evidence was fairest for the Undertakers.

And further, They have ordered all the Works belonging to the said Undertakers to be presented by the Jury every Sessions, and have set such immoderate Fines thereon, as amount to above 11000 £.

And at last finding the Works in a good Condition, the Dreins new made, the Banks, Bridges, Sluices, and Tunnels all well repaired, and so the future Charge not like to be great; The said Undertakers having then expended near 20000 £. in the said Work, they contrived an Adjudication to Out and Eject the Undertakers, and then to take the Possession into their own Hands.

For the better effecting whereof, one of the Commissioners writ to a Commissioner at *Spaulding*, as also to the Clerk of the Sewers, to advise the Impannelling a sure Jury, though but of Twelve Men (if sure); as also to engage several select Commissioners to be present: The Jury was to prepare a Verdict against the Meeting of the Commissioners, which was to be the Thirteenth of September, 1677.

And as a Preparatory to that Day, some of the Commissioners agreed a Meeting at *Crowland* on the Twelfth of September, to make a View of the Fenns, in order to an Adjudication against the Undertakers; who accordingly met, and from *Crowland* by Boat passed by *Good-fellows Dyke* to *Black Dyke Roff*, and from thence to *Horse-gate Roff* to *Spaulding*, by which they could not view any part of *Deeping Fenns*, which was at that time full of Cattel, nor one eighth part of the whole Fenns, and that part also the lowest and panniect Ground in all the Fenn, of which notwithstanding a great part was then dry.

The Commissioners accordingly held their Sessions on the Thirteenth of September, 1677. and the Act of Parliament was given the Jury in Charge, as was before contrived; and after some Debate, it was objected, That several Honourable Persons, both of the House of Peers and House of Commons, were concerned, who ought not to be ejected out of their Estates during a Session of Parliament, without being heard. But that Plea would not be accepted by the Court: And the Court adjourned from the Town-Hall to the *White-Hart* in *Spaulding*.

And what Decrees or Adjudications were there made, as all the rest of the Proceedings at that Court, were kept in secret from the Undertakers, who were never Legally summoned, and afterwards coming and demanding Copies from the Clerk of the Sewers, could not procure them, all the Papers being kept from him by the Commissioners, lest they should come to the knowledge of the said Undertakers; intending to surprise them, by returning the same into the Chancery, to be Filed upon Record, before they could make any Defence to prevent the same; which though never so Illegal and Unjust, if once Filed, would have rendred the said Undertakers Remediless either in Law or Equity, otherwise than by Appeal in Parliament.

But the said Adjudications having been since returned up, the Undertakers did procure Copies thereof, and by Petition to the Lord Chancellor did prevent the Filing thereof, till the said Petitioners should be heard: The Substance of which Adjudications are as follow.

That the Commissioners therein named, by their View, do find, adjudge, and decree. That the said Fenns, and every of them, are hurtfully surrounded with Water; And that the said Fenns or Wastes have, or most part of the same have, lain drowned and overflowed with Water, from the Second day of *March*, 1664. to the day of the date of the said Decree, notwithstanding the Works of the said Trustees, and in their Default. The Jury also gave in their Verdict, That the Fenns called *Deeping-Fenns* in the said Act of Parliament, were never drayned by *William Earl of Devonshire*, and Trustees for Draining the said Fenns; but that the said Fenns lay then hurtfully surrounded, as the said Fenns have been hurtfully surrounded ever since the Second day of *March*, 1664. notwithstanding the Works of the said Undertakers, and in default of the said Trustees; and that the said Fenns were as dry before the said Undertaking, as they have been at any time since.

After the Court making a recital of the Adjudications of the Commissioners that viewed, say, that the Fenns are hurtfully surrounded, and were not dreyned by the Trustees, nor Undertakers within the first Seven years mentioned in the said Act, which is quite different from the Return made by the Viewers themselves, and then it was declared by the Court, that the Trustees mentioned in the said Act, stand seized for such uses, intents, and purposes, as in and by the said Act is limited for the benefit of the Countrey.

On all which it is to be observed.

I. That the whole business was a Contrivance of some of the Commissioners to out the Undertakers, and put themselves into possession. For that the Undertakers had expended near 8000 £. on the Works of Draining the said Fenn, in the precedent Five Years before the intended Adjudication, as their Register-Books will make appear; whereby 'tis evident, they did not wilfully neglect the same.

II. That the Viewers by one Afternoons viewing the eighth part of the Fenn, without any other Testimony, or Proof, could adjudge the Fenn to have continued drowned for above twelve Years before, although not long before, some of the same Commissioners did Award damages against the said Undertakers of 150 £. for that there wanted Water in the River.

III. The Jury without View, or Inquisition, or any other Evidence, or Proof also presented upon their Oaths, that the said Fenns had continued drowned for above twelve Years, according as the Viewers had adjudged, notwithstanding the contrary was well known to most, if not to all of them.

IV. And as if the ejecting and outing the said Undertakers had not been sufficient, they have returned Estreats to the value of above 11000 £. against the said Undertakers.

V. And since all this, they have received Petitions against the said Undertakers, and have Summoned them as Undertakers to appear, and also the Jury have presented the Undertakers from time to time, and set Fines upon them for the defect of several Bridges, &c. under their care, notwithstanding that by the said Adjudication they had ejected them before, and since the time of this Adjudication, being eight Years, the Undertakers have continued in quiet possession, and have laid out above 14000 £.

Note, The Lords of all the Mannors whose Tenants have Common in the Fenn, are all consenting to the Undertakers, who are opposed by none but the Commissioners of Sewers, who take upon them the Name of the Country; and, we are credibly informed, have obtained several Hands to a Writing they design to offer in opposition to the Bill, and for Filing the Adjudication, by falsely persuading them, the Undertakers design to take away all their Commons, and possessing them, they may enjoy the whole Fenn again in Common, if the Undertakers were outed; when in truth the Commissioners by their own Adjudication (if it may stand) are to have and dispose of the Undertakers Lands.

Note, It may reasonably be supposed, that if by the Adjudication of the Commissioners of Sewers, the Lands were to have gone to any others than themselves, the Adjudication had never been made upon so slender a view, and without any proof, and so Privately, that the Undertakers were not to have Legal Summons, nor so much as Copies of the Proceedings.

From all which the Undertakers do humbly hope, and pray, that your Lordships will put them under a more Indifferent Judicature; in order to which they humbly propose, That out of the Persons appointed to set out the Boundaries of the Fenns; three may be chosen by the Undertakers, and three by the Country or Commissioners of Sewers, and one (to make the number odd) by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of *Lincoln* for the time being, which Seven, or any five of them may assess Damages as the Case may require. Or if this Proposal doth not seem reasonable, That your Lordships will please to put the Undertakers under such other Judicature as your Lordships shall think fit.

T H E
C A S E
O F
THOMAS ROWNEY Gent. Executor of EDWARD TWYFORD Gent.
In trust for the said TWYFORD's Children.



H E said *Edward Twyford* about *Michaelmas* Term 1669, being aged; infirm and indebted to several persons, Agrees to sell the Mannor of *North-Moor*, with the Appurtenances, in the County of *Oxford*, to *Edmond Warcupp* Esq; (now *Sir Edmond Warcupp* Knight,) for payment of his Debts, and raising Portions for his Children. And Articles of Agreement were made between them therein; At which time there were Suites depending in *Twyford's* Name, touching the Enclosing of two large Commons part of the said Mannor, and which since the Purchase, are inclosed accordingly.

Sir Edmond Warcupp at the first Discourse, much prest to have a Particular, but *Mr. Twyford* being then in *London*, Declared he was not able to make one, but however, at *Sir Edmond Warcupp's* Importunity, Did as well as he could, make a Particular, and delivered it to *Sir Edmond Warcupp*, By which the Premises at twenty years Purchase (which is the usual Rate in that Country) came to 9600 *l.* But *Sir Edmond Warcupp* refusing to purchase at those Terms, the Particular was wholly laid aside, and the Parties agreed by the Lump; and *Sir Edmond Warcupp* was onely to give 6500 *l.* for the Purchase; so much having been before offered for it by others.

Nevertheless, when the Articles came to be Sealed, *Sir Edmond Warcupp* had Annexed the said Particular thereto, and had also incerted a Covenant into the Articles, that *Twyford* should make good the said Particular, both as to the quantity and quality. But *Twyford* positively refused to Seal the Articles, until *Sir Edmond Warcupp* promised that no other use should be made of the said Particular, other than to find out the purchased Lands.

The Articles being thus Sealed, the Conveyances were for some time respited at *Sir Edmond Warcupp's* desire, lest the Suits then depending, touching the said Inclosures should abate.

But the Conveyances being afterwards Sealed, and the Purchase Money not paid, *Twyford* in 1673, Exhibited his Bill in Chancery against *Sir Edmond Warcupp* to have his Purchase Money paid, To which the said *Sir Edmond Warcupp* put in a very long Answer, and also for vexation, Exhibited a long cross Bill against the said *Twyford*, to have an Allowance for pretended Defects in the Particular, and for the Charges of Enclosing the said Commons which were agreed to be done at his own Charge: And several Witnesses were Examined in the Case to *Twyford's* great Charge. *Sir Edmond Warcupp* (who was a privileged person in Chancery) endeavouring by the said long Bill, Answer, and Depositions, to disable the said *Twyford* from prosecuting his said Suit; who had no other Estate to pay his Debts, or to maintain, or provide for himself and seven Children than what was in *Sir Edmond Warcupp's* hands.

That the said *Twyford* at last by the Assistance of Friends brought the said Cause to Hearing in *Hillary* Term 1675, and obtained a Decree for the Payment of the Arrear Purchase-Money, but Before the said Decretal Order was drawn up, the said *Twyford* died, having made the said *Rowney* his Executor in Trust for his Children.

That *Sir Edmond Warcupp* entred a C A V E A T against the Probate of the said Will, and also Moved against the Inrolling of the said Decree, but the Will being proved, and the Decree Inrolled, he after Exhibits a Bill of Review against the said *Rowney* of 120 sheets of Paper, and assigned fifteen Errors, which upon a long Debate by Council were over-ruled about eight years since.

That ever since the Over-ruling the said Errors, the said *Rowney* hath been labouring to bring *Sir Edmond Warcupp* to an Account before the Master, and to that purpose hath taken out above 60 Warrants, and served *Sir Edmond Warcupp* therewith, but cannot yet get the Account stated.

That *Sir Edmond Warcupp* hath endeavoured to prove Payment of the Purchase Money by several mistaken Acquittances, which being disallowed by the Master, *Sir Edmond Warcupp* for further delay hath Appealed from the said Decree to the House of Peers.

That the said *Rowney* never received one penny of the Estate of the said *Twyford*, but hath expended above 300 *l.* in the prosecuting of the said Suit on the behalf of the Poor Children.

That there is at least 1500 *l.* of the Purchase Money besides Interest since Sealing the said Articles, in the hands of the said *Sir Edmond Warcupp*, and the Poor Children of the said *Twyford* want Bread.

Sir **WILLIAM RAWLINSON**, Kt.
Searjeant at Law, and Dame **JANE** his
Wife, Petitioners, in behalf of themselves against
and others;

The Right Honourable the Earl of **STAM-
FORD**, and Countess of **STAMFORD**;
and Sir **HENRY HOBART**, and
Dame **ELIZABETH** his Wife, Re-
spondents.

The R E S P O N D E N T S C A S E.

The Petitioners oppose a Bill brought into the House of Peers for settling the Estate of Sir JOHN MAYNARD, late one of the Commissioners of the Great-Seal.



HE said Sir **JOHN MAYNARD**, Knight, deceas'd, left at his death a Will bearing date the 21st of March, 1689. and his Relict the Lady *Maynard*, now Countess of *Suffolk*, and *Maynard Colchester*, Esq., are nominated Executors thereof.

Maynard Colchester hath not yet acted, and the Countess of *Suffolk* exhibited the said Will in the Prerogative Court.

The Countess of *Stamford*, and the Lady *Hobart*, are the Grand-daughters and Heirs at Law of Sir *John Maynard*; and it were most for their Advantage if there were no Will at all.

The Earl of *Stamford* and Sir *Henry Hobart*, in Right of their Wives, controverted the said Will, and brought an Ejectment in the Court of *King's-Bench*, to try the Validity thereof, as to the disposal of the real Estate; whereon a Trial was had at the Bar, Term. Pasch. 4 *Willielmi & Mariae*.

The Will, dated the 28th of September, 1676. mentioned in the Petition, was upon the Trial, given in Evidence; but it being proved to have been found in an open Garret among Wast-papers, and it containing only two Sides or Pages of a Sheet of Paper, and there being no Conclusion to it, and it appearing to the Court that other Leaves had been fastened to it; the Court and Jury gave no heed to it, and rejected it as a Revoked Will, it being made before the commencement of the Statute against Frauds and Perjuries.

The other Will, dated the 9th of September 1686. mentioned likewise in the Petition, was not given in Evidence at the Trial, for it is written by the side of it with the proper Hand-writing of Sir *John Maynard*, to be Revoked.

There is another Will, dated the 6th of February, 1689. Signed by Sir *John Maynard*, and attested by Three Witnesses, which will be a Revocation of his former Will, and will stand as a Will, if the Will of 21. Martii, 1689. be not good.

The only Dispute at the Trial was, Whether the Will, dated 21. Martii, 1689. was a good Will in Law, as to the disposing of the real Estate, according to the Statute of 29 Car. II. against Frauds and Perjuries, because Sir *John Maynard* did not sign the Will in the presence of the Witnesses; it was proved to be signed by him, but the Witnesses to the Will did not see him sign it; and thereupon a Special Verdict was found, wherein no other Point was made, but that of the Devisor's not signing the Will in the presence of the Witnesses.

The Respondents are willing to waive this Point, and desire this Act of Parliament for the establishing this Will of the 21st of March 1689. subject to some Proviso's, and with a saving to the Rights of Strangers; but the Petitioners do oppose this Act, though there is in the Act a saving of the Rights of Strangers; and the Respondents are willing that a sufficient saving may be in the Act, whereby any Stranger may be at liberty to set up and prove any other Will. The end of this Act being to settle this Will against the Dispute aforesaid, wherein the Respondents are only concerned as Heirs at Law.

As to any that do not take by this Will, it is conceived, and it is desired, that they may be at liberty to set up any other Will.

As to any that take by this Will, they will be benefitted by the Act, for this Dispute against the Will by this Act taken away.

As to the Alterations of the Will made by the Proviso's, there is no injury done to the Petitioners, or to any other on whose behalf they Petition.

The Money-Legacies are almost all paid, and the Personal Estate is increased by the Act, because *Nesworthy's* and *Strode's* Mortgages, are declared to be part of the Personal Estate: And what the Personal Estate shall fall short to answer all Demands, is by the Act to be made good out of the Real Estate.

The Annuity-Legates will be benefitted by this Act, because by the Will, they are charged upon the Real Estate without any Remedy at Law for the recovery. But now, by the Act they are charged upon the Real Estate as Rent-charges recoverable by Distress or Action; and on default of Payments after Two Months, there is a Provision of *Nomine penas* not to be voided in Law or Equity.

As to the Real Estate given by the Will to the Lord *George Maynard Colchester*, and the Lady *Suffolk*, and their Heirs, upon Trust to be conveyed after the Death of the Lady *Suffolk*, to the use of the Respondents, and their Issue: The Lord *George* refuseth to act, and *Maynard Colchester* doth not act, and the Lady *Suffolk* is willing to be eased of the Trust. Therefore the Act authorizes the Trustees immediately to convey the Mannors, &c. to such Persons, and for such Estates, as the same are appointed by the Will to be conveyed after the Death of the Lady *Suffolk*.

As to any Alterations by this Act of some of the Trusts limited by the Will concerning the Real Estate, the Petitioners are no way concerned in them, but only their Respondents, and their Children; for there is no Limitation by the Will of any Remainder over, upon failure of the Sons and Daughters of the Lady *Stamford*, and Lady *Hobart*.

There is no Suit in Chancery concerning the Validity of this Will, but only against the Executors and Trustees, to tie up their Hands till the Validity of the Will, upon the Special Verdict in the *King's Bench* be determined. The Validity of which Will was only controverted by the Respondents as Heirs at Law.

This Act is to settle the Dispute upon the Will. And as to the Alterations made by it, the Lady *Stamford*, and the Lady *Hobart*, who are Heirs at Law, and the Lady *Suffolk*, who is the only Executrix that acts, are contented, and they are the only Persons concerned. The Legacies and Annuities given by the Will, are meliorated by this Act.

In short, As to the Petitioners Right by any other Will, which is none, yet there is a saving; and as to any Alterations made by this Act they are not concerned in them, nor is it desired by the said Bill to sell any part of the Estate.

The Real Estates suffers very much while the Disputes about the Will remain undetermined. The Receivers dare not sue any Tenants for their Arrears of Rent; nor can he fill up the Estates in Copies or Leases, and can hardly prevail with Tenants to take from Year to Year.

JOHN FOX Gent. Plaintiff;

A N D

Simon Harcourt Esq; Defendant.

In a Writ of Error brought by the Plaintiff upon a Judgment given against him in the Court of King's Bench, in an Action of *Indebitatus assumpsit*, there brought by Mr. Harcourt against Mr. Fox, for trying the Right of the Place of Clerkship of the Peace for the County of *Middlesex*.

July, 1689. **T**HE Earl of *Clare* being *Custos Rotulorum* of the County of *Middlesex*, in July 1689. appointed Mr. Harcourt to be Clerk of the Peace of the said County, who accordingly enjoyed that Place all the time the Earl of *Clare* continued *Custos Rotulorum* there.

Febr. 1691. The Earl of *Clare* being removed from the Office of *Custos Rotulorum*, and the Earl of *Bedford* made *Custos Rotulorum* in his room, the Earl of *Bedford* constituted the Plaintiff, Mr. Fox, duly qualified, Clerk of the Peace there, who accordingly entred upon and executed the said Place: But Mr. Harcourt pretending that by virtue of the Grant of the Earl of *Clare*, and of a late Statute, made in the first Year of their now Majesties Reign, he had an Estate for Life in the said Office, and not determinable upon the Removal of the *Custos Rotulorum*, by whom he was appointed, brought the said Action against Mr. Fox.

Mr. Fox being advised by his Counsel that the Right of making and appointing the Clerk of the Peace had been ever in the *Custos Rotulorum* for the time being: And that the same is by the Statute 37 Hen. 8. cap. 1. declared to have always been so; and that it is by the said Statute enacted, That such Clerk of the Peace shall hold and enjoy the said Place during the time that the *Custos Rotulorum* shall occupy and exercise the Office of *Custos Rotulorum*. By which Act it seems apparent, that the Clerk of the Peace could not continue longer in that Employ than the *Custos Rotulorum* did who put him in, and whose Servant he was.

And being further advised, that there was very little Reason to think that the Parliament by the said Act of 1^o K. William and Q. Mary, had the least Intent to take away from the *Custos Rotulorum* the Right and Power of putting in whom they thought fit to serve them in that Employment of Clerk of the Peace, whereby one of another's putting in, how unfit soever he may be for that Employment, and how much soever displeasing to the *Custos Rotulorum*, should yet in Despight of him be his Servant in that Place.

And it being humbly conceived to be clear and plain that the Statute of 1^o K. William and Q. Mary hath not taken away that Right from the *Custos Rotulorum* which is so expressly declared and settled in the Statute of H. 8. the Words of the Statute 1^o K. William and Q. Mary, upon which the Defendant lays all his Stress, being, That the Clerk of the Peace shall take and receive the Fees, Profits and Perquisites thereof, for so long time only as he shall well demean himself in his said Office. And though it be not added, as it is in the 37 Hen. 8. During the time that the *Custos Rotulorum* continues *Custos*; yet that is conceived to be necessarily implied, and so strongly, that it is believed it was not thought any ways necessary to put them in.

Mr. Fox for these Reasons resolved to stand the said Trial, not only for the maintaining his own Right and Interest, but also of his Lord's the Earl of *Bedford*, and of the Right of every *Custos Rotulorum*. And upon the Trial thereof the Jury found, in a special Verdict the two recited Statutes upon the right Construction, whereof depends the Plaintiff's and Defendant's Title to the said Place, upon which the Court of King's Bench have been pleased not only to pronounce a Judgment for Mr. Harcourt, but also to grant a *Mandamus* for the restoring Mr. Harcourt to the Place, which *Mandamus* was brought to the Justices the Sessions following, viz. in July 1693. (after this Writ of Error was brought and allowed, and Bail given) upon which the Justices of the Peace, at the said Sessions, did turn out Mr. Fox, and admitted Mr. Harcourt, who is now in Possession of the Clerk of the Peace's Place, whether the Earl of *Bedford* will or no, and must remain so, how just Reasons soever his Lordship may have to except against him, unless the Judgment should be reversed in the House of Lords, which Mr. Fox humbly hopes will be done upon their Lordships hearing of the Matter: for the Law has made the Records inseparable from the *Custos*, and the *Custos* his Commission enjoins him to have the Records before the Justices at every Sessions, and who shall carry them? it is not fit the *Custos* himself, being generally of the principal Nobility, should do it: Why then his Clerk of the Peace must do it; and if the *Custos* cannot trust him, which he must do (if he will not do it himself) there will be a manifest Failure of Justice; besides the *Custos* must incur the Danger that will follow in case any Records are razed or imbezell'd, for by the Law the *Custos* is only responsible for the Records, there being no Provision in the Act 1^o K. William and Q. Mary to save him harmless in that Particular.

And besides the Danger the *Custos* is in if he may not have the appointing of his own Clerk of the Peace, the *Custos* is made useless and needless, unless the Clerk of the Peace dieth when he is *Custos*.

It seems reasonable that such a Construction should be put upon the Words of the Statute of 1^o K. William and Q. Mary, as may prevent such Inconveniencies, and may not destroy the Interest of the *Custos*, and create an Estate to the Clerk paramount to that of the *Custos*, who formerly was Master to the Clerk of the Peace.

THE
CASE
OF THE
Earl of STAMFORD,
and his LADY;
And of Sir Henry Hobart,
and his LADY;
Relating to
Sir John Maynard's WILL.



*The CASE of EDWARD STRODE Gent. in an Action of the
Case, for scandalous Words, and pretended false Imprisonment,
brought against him, Thomas Pemberton Gent. and Henry Man-
ning Defendants, by George Rodney Plaintiff.*

Case.

ONE Mrs. Joyce Buckeridge having set up several forged Deeds to strip one Richard Anderson Esq; of his Inheritance; and after several Trials at Bar, and a Decree in Chancery, the said Deeds being detected, and Mrs. Buckeridge convict for the forgery of one of them; pending these Suits, Mrs. Buckeridge sent down the Plaintiff, Rodney her Brother, to hold the possession of the Rectory of Bury Pomeroy near Totness in the County of Devon, and to receive the Rents and Profits thereof; the Tythes of which Rectory, together with the mean Profits, were adjudged to the said Mr. Anderson: who thereupon sent down several Writs against the said Rodney for the mean Profits and Rents received by him, but could not get him arrested thereon.

Whereupon, about the latter end of July 1685, Mr. Anderson desired the Defendants, Strode and Pemberton, to go down thither, and to get the Plaintiff Rodney arrested, and to that purpose sent a Writ by Pemberton, (against Mr. Rodney, at the Suit of Mr. Curteis Trustee for Mr. Anderson) who took a VVarrant on the said VVrit, and repaired to Bury Pomeroy aforelaid, where the Plaintiff Rodney was taken by virtue thereof, by the Defendants: who fearing Rodney might be rescued, for preventing thereof, gave out to the Rabble, that they had taken him as a Rebel, for being one of those that were with the late Duke of Monmouth in the late Rebellion. But on the first Arrest, they acquainted Mr. Rodney himself, that they took him on the VVarrant at the Suit of Curteis, and so carried him to an Alehouse in the same Parish where he was taken; where Mr. Rodney sent for an Attorney, who read the VVarrant; and the Defendants offered to discharge him, if he would give but 200 l. Bail to the Action: which Rodney refused, and so was carried to Prison by virtue of the said VVarrant, and for no other Cause whatsoever, and was in Prison charged with nothing else, as appears by two of Mr. Rodney's own Affidavits, and by the Affidavits of Mr. Pemberton and Mr. Good the Goaler.

See Rodney's own Affidavit, one sworn 3 months, the other 6 months after the Arrest. Rodney swears he was taken on the Writ, at the Suit of Curteis, and mentions not one word of being seized as a Rebel: and the Goaler Good swears, he received him a Prisoner at the Suit of Curteis only.

Notwithstanding which Mr. Rodney brought this Action against the Defendants, for charging him to be a Rebel, and to have been with the late D. of Monmouth in the late Rebellion. To which Action Strode and Pemberton jointly pleaded, Not Guilty: and Manning suffered Judgment by Default; and upon Trial, in March 1685, one and the same Jury found the Defendants, Strode and Pemberton, both equally Guilty, *de premisis*, yet assesses Damages against Strode to 1000 l. against Pemberton to 50 l. And on the Inquiry against Manning assesses Damages against him to 50 l. The Plaintiff Rodney, before Judgment, entred two *Noli prosequi's* as to Pemberton and Manning, and took Judgment against Strode for the 1000 l. and 75 l. Costs. VVhich Judgment hath been affirmed in the Exchequer Chamber in Trinity Term last; and on the Defendant's paying Mr. Rodney 120 l. in last Michaelmas Term, for a *Cessat Executio* to save his Bail, till he could bring his VVrit of Error in Parliament: which VVrit he hath now brought, and it is now come here by VVrit of Error.

And the only Questions are, VVhether the Verdict was at first Vicious? and if it were, then whether a *Noli prosequi*, as to the Defendants Pemberton and Manning, will make the Verdict against Strode good?

Note.

The Plaintiff Rodney, on the Trial, never proved he was damnified one Penny. And if the Judgment be reversed upon this Writ of Error, the Plaintiff Rodney hath another Action of the Case now depending against the Defendant Strode, for the very same words as were given in Evidence against Strode on the first Trial, and for which the Jury gave the Plaintiff Rodney 1000 l. Damages as aforelaid.

It is strange a Person should receive 1000 l. Damages for being charged to be a Rebel, when he himself swears he was taken up and arrested at the Suit of Curteis, and not mentioning his being taken as a Rebel.

John Dormer of Ascot, Esq; Appellant.

The Hon^{ble} Charles Bertie and Henry Bertie, Esq^{rs},
The Children of the Hon^{ble} Peregrine Bertie, Esq; } Respon-
deceas'd, dents.
And the Children of Henry Cane, Sen^r Gent. deceas'd,

The Respondents C A S E.

Will 10 Novemb. 1693.

The very Words.

Testator died 1 Feb. 93.

24 Jan. 1697.

The Appellant was but
Cousin-German to the
Testator.

6 Feb. 1698.

9 Feb. 1698.

3 March, 1698.

Lord Somers,
14 June, 1699.

Vide, Act against
Frauds, &c. in 1677.

Robert Dormer, Esq; (deceas'd) being seized in Fee of a real Estate of near 1700 *l. per Annum*; and, having contracted Debts to the amount of 8000 *l.* beyond the Value of his personal Estate, made his Will, and thereby devised out of the said real Estate 200 *l. per Annum* apiece in Fee to his six Brothers of the Half-Blood (the Dormers of Rowsham) to be settled on them by his Executors at the end of three Years next after his Death. And gave to each of his Executors Legacies of 5 *l.* apiece to buy them Rings and the like Legacy to the Appellant. Willed, That all his Debts should be paid by his Executors: "And then gave all the rest and res- due of his real and personal Estate to his three Uncles, *Peregrine, Charles* and *Henry Bertie*, and *Henry Cane*, Sen^r (whom he appointed Executors of his Will, in Trust and Confidence that they would see it performed) equally to be divided between them, Share and Share alike: To have and to hold the same to them, their Heirs and Assigns "for ever, or to the Survivors of them, who should take the Care and Trouble upon them to see the Will performed.

These four Executors (now Respondents) proved the Will and took upon them the Payment of the Debts.

The Appellant brought his Bill in *Chancery* for recovery of the whole Estate, suggesting, That the Will was obtained by fraud and when the Testator was not *compos mentis*; and in other Parts of his Bill he seemed only to aim at the said Surplus, on pretence, that 'twas devised in trust for him, and ought to enure to his Benefit as Heir at Law.

The Appellant might and ought to have gone to Hearing upon the Construction of the Will without any Examination; but, instead thereof, he took out a Commission, and examined many Witnesses upon pretence of setting aside the Will, which necessitated the Respondents to examine on their part to support the Will: And it was fully made appear, That the Testator had a great Respect and Value for his said Executors, (three of whom were his own Uncles) and that the Appellant had quite lost his Favour.

The Appellant, after the Commission executed, moved and got leave to add an Interrogatory, to examine one *Smith* and *Mason*, as to Mr. *Cane's* Discourses touching the Will, and afterwards (without giving due Notice) moved, and by surprize, obtained an Order of 6 Feb. 1698. for enlarging the Interrogatory so as to extend it to the Testator's Discourses, and to re-examine *Smith* thereto; which last Order was three Days afterwards discharg'd upon long Debate, the Court being satisfied that no such Examination or Enquiry ought to be permitted in relation to a Will in Writing, and that *Smith* had been before examined at the Commission to that very Matter.

On Hearing the Cause, the Appellant insisting that the Will was not good, the Court directed the Validity thereof to be tried at Law, and that Mr. *Cane*, Sen^r, who drew the same, should be examined on Interrogatories, for discovery of the Draught and Instructions.

Mr. *Cane* was examined accordingly: After which the Appellant would not proceed to Tryal, but waved the same, and admitted the Will to be good, and 14 June, 1699, brought on the Cause to be Heard as to the pretended Trust: Whereupon, and upon Reading the Will and Proofs and long Debate, the Court declared they saw no Cause to give the Appellant any Relief, and therefore Dismissed his Bill: From which Dismissal, and also from the said Order of 6 Feb. Mr. *Dormer* the Heir has Appealed, and prays he may have the Benefit of the said Surplus claimed by the Respondents.

But the Respondents are advised, and do insist that the said Dismissal is just and equitable; for that the said Will is so far from Importing or Implying any Trust for the Appellant, as to any of the Lands thereby devised, that there can hardly be found Words that do more expressly exclude any such Trust, Presumption or Implication as the Appellant aims at. And the said Order of the 6 Feb. was justly Discharged, for that it is not Consonant to the Laws and Statutes of this Realm, that any Examination or Parol-proof should be admitted to alter the Construction of a written Will concerning Lands, and for that it is against Practice, and would be of dangerous Consequence to all Mens Estates, and a means to introduce Perjury, if Witnesses who have been once examined in a Cause, should afterwards be permitted to be re-examined to the same Matters.

Wherefore the Respondents pray the said Appeal may be
Dismissed with Costs.

HENRY POLEY.

K. Enquiry. — Part. — *Local. — Part. —*

The Case of their Majesties Antient Publick Office of Assurance, for Making and Registering of Policies of Assurance in the City of London. Humbly offered to the Right Honourable the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament assembled.

IT has been an Usage time out of mind amongst Merchants when they have sent out greater Adventures than they have been willing to run the Risque of, to give a Premium to others for them to ensure such part of the Goods as is agreed between them. Heretofore the Assured relied only on the Credit of the Assurers; and if any Differences arose they were usually determined by Merchants appointed (for that purpose) by the Lord Mayor; as it appears by the preamble of the Statute of the 43 Eliz. cap. 12. The Merchants of London being sensible that this manner of Trading by way of Assurance was a very great Incouragement of Traffickers, but finding that there had been several Abuses in it, they Petitioned Queen Elizabeth in the 17th year of her Reign to erect a Publick Office for the Registering of Policies of Assurance; and thereupon the Queen, by her Letters Patents, reciting, That it had been an Antient Custom of Merchants in Lombard-street, and then in the Royal Exchange, to make Policies of Assurance, which were held in great Estimation in most Parts of Christendom; but at that time, for want of a due and orderly keeping of a Register, Merchants had been abused by evil disposed Persons, who assured the same thing in sundry Places. For prevention of those, and the like Abuses, the Queen did appoint Richard Chandler, Maker and Register of all Policies of Assurance, and did provide and declare that all Policies made after the said Grant by any other Person should be void.

This Patent was only during Pleasure, to make an Experiment of the Expediency or Inconveniences of it. The Office continued under that Patent until the 30th year of Queen Elizabeth, and then the Queen reciting that her former Grant had been found greatly Beneficial, and taken good Effect, granted the said Office to Richard Chandler, and one Richardson, for their Lives. Some time after which, at the Solicitation of the Merchants, there was a Statute made (viz. in the 43 of Eliz.) which not only takes notice and allows of the Office, but gives all manner of Incouragement to it, by erecting a Court, and granting great Powers to the Commissioners to enable them to give a quick and easy Recovery to the Insured, when Losses happen. After the death of Richardson, and Chandler, Anno 7th. Ja. primi, this Office was granted to Giles and Walter Overbury for their Lives, and after their Deaths for 31 years, the 3 Car. primi. it was granted to Richard Bogan for 31 years; and the 14 Car. 2. there was another grant of it to Nich. and Tho. Veel for their Lives; both which last mentioned Patents were surrendered to the King the 12 April, 1665. and the Office was granted to Sir Allen Brodrick, and his Assigns, under which grant the present Patentee claims; in every one of these successive Grants there is this Clause (or to this Effect) That every Policy of Assurance, contract of Assurance, Intimation, or Renunciation, that shall be made after the date of these Letters Patents, upon any Ship, Goods, or Merchandize, or other the Premises, by any manner of Person or Persons, within the Royal Exchange, or any other Place within the City of London, being not made and registered by Sir Allen Brodrick, and his Assigns, Deputy or Deputies, should be utterly void.

'Tis observable, That this was not only a publick and known Office openly kept ever since its first Erection, but if that restrictive Clause were publickly taken notice of, as it appears in my Lord Coke's 12 Book of Reports, Folio 117. And yet in the 21st year of K. James, or in the time of K. Charles the First, when there was so great Enquiry after, and means taken to suppress all Patents that tended to Monopolies, this Office was never touched nor looked upon to be such; nay, on the contrary, it has received not only the countenance of the Statute before-mentioned (43 Eliz. cap. 12.) but in the 14th year of the Reign of Car. 2. after near 100 years Experience of the Benefit of it, the Parliament made an Additional Act to the former, giving the Court greater Powers than it had before; and afterwards, in the Act for Rebuilding the City of London, the 19 Car. 2. 'tis provided that Policies made in Gresham House (where the Office was kept for necessity upon that occasion) should be as Authentick as Assurances made in the Antient Office on the Royal Exchange. Which proves not only the Parliaments allowing and approving of the Office, but shews that they thought (as in the Grant expresses) that Policies ought not to be made elsewhere, and were not of Force if not made there, for else there had been no need of that Provision.

Now that this is an Office of great Benefit is certain. It will be for the Advantage of the King in his Revenue; First, by the Incouragement that the Security of dealing will give to Persons to Trade.

By preventing the Shipping of, or transporting Counterband or Prohibited Goods, or the defrauding of the King of his Customs by Mis-entries, to which private Offices give Incouragement, but a publick one would be a means to detect such Deceits.

The Benefit will be great both to the Assurers and Assured (to such 'tis meant as design honestly) and that there may be Security to both on the Terms agreed on is the intent of the Policy.

As to the Assurers, one very great Mischief to them was, That Persons would assure on Ships with different Persons, and in different Places, far beyond the Value of the Goods which they had on Board, and then with confederacy with the Master of the Ship the Ship should be cast away somewhere near Land, and thereby the assured be great Gainers, by their Recovery against all the several Persons, of which there are many and frequent Instances. Which Fraud would be easily detected in a publick Office, were the whole that every Man Assures upon one Ship may be known to the Assured (for whose Benefit the several Acts were chiefly made) It will be of great Advantage; for 'tis an usual thing for Assurers to subscribe Policies for far greater Sums, than (if Losses happen) they are capable of answering. This will in a great measure be prevented by being visible in the Office how far the Person with whom they are treating has under-written, by which they may make a Judgment whether they dealt safely or not.

The ordinary and lowest Rate then currant as a Premium will be known, and so no one need be surpris'd into the giving Extravagant, or more than the Common Rates then currant.

The Entry of the Policies in the Registry will be good Evidence should the Policies themselves be lost.

There is likewise great Advantages to the Assured in the Recovery of their Moneys, by the Power the Commissioners have to Examine Witnesses beyond Sea, and the speedy Course that is taken by the Court in their Proceedings, the Statute appointing Courts to be kept weekly; which is of great use where Sea-faring Men are generally the Witnesses, who cannot attend the tedious Proceedings of Common Law, being required to Sea again before a Tryal be had.

That in many Cases where Insurances have been made in private Offices, and Losses happen thereon, the Assured have been forced to take of the Assurers what they please to give them; a half, or less part of their due, by reason of the defect of the Policies; as in the Case of one Captain Saye, where the Policy being imperfect the Loss could not be recovered.

By the Custom of Merchants no Man can recover a Loss till he have first renounced his Interest to the Assurer; and there is no Place where a Renunciation can be legally taken, but in the publick Office of Assurance; and the Office of Assurance can take no Renunciation but of such Policies as are there Registered, and that before notice of the Loss. Therefore the Assurers would be glad the publick Office were discharged, having this Advantage against the Assured.

That in all Places abroad where any Insurances are made, there is no Office for making Policies of Assurance but what is allowed by publick Authority.

This Office is Authorized by the Prerogative of the Crown, and is by Statute Law made a Branch of, and subject to the High Court of Chancery.

K. Bruce (Thomas) Bruce, Esq. in Eigen. and his Wife, Anne, in Eigen.

The Lord BRUCE and the Lady ELIZABETH BRUCE his Wife, desire a Bill may be passed in Parliament, Relating no manner of way to the cutting off Entails, nor the selling of Land, nor in the least to the prejudice of their Children, nor any other Reversions, as by the Bill appears.

SOME persons out of a worthy intent, desired that an Application by way of Reference might be made to my Lady *Elizabeth Bruce's* Mother the Duchess of *Beaufort*, who opposes every individual Article of the Bill, her reasons for it yet unknown.

An Application was made, and four days spent in it, two or three Meetings each day appointed and put off to their great prejudice.

The Lord *Bruce* came to this fair Proposition, That he would refer the whole business to any one person she would name, and to stand to his Award whatever it was.

At the end of four days the Duchess of *Beaufort* was waited upon by the Lord *Bruce* and his Referee, the several particulars of the Bill were Read, a general Objection to them all, with no other answer but *Sic Volo sic Jubeo*.

Not any one particular of the Bill is of any advantage to the Lord *Bruce*, but only to rectifie some omissions and make some alterations in an agreement made last year, which was consented to most unwillingly by the Lord *Bruce* and his Lady, being compelled thereunto, by reason of the great and uncontrollable power the Duchess of *Beaufort* had over the Estate, occasioned by Settlements many years since at her former Marriage, and by some obtained Settlements at the Lady *Elizabeth Bruce's* Marriage; which were most unwillingly consented to, it being thought very hard to be imposed on to settle half her Estate on her Brother the Earl of *Worcester*, who was but of the half Blood, in case she had no Children, which contingency is the only reason this unreasonable opposition is made, although it be pretended it is done for the good of the Children, the Father and Mother being conceived to be persons who wholly study the ruine of them.

There is a Debt of 15000 *l.* which remains as yet unpaid, or most part of it, which is acknowledged to be a Debt contracted for the payment of the Debts and Annuities the Estate was charged with before the Marriage, this they say must be paid before any part shall be applied to the Lord *Bruce's* use, contrary to a promise which can be made upon Oath, that a certain yearly allowance should be consented to, until the debt was paid, but because it was not under Hand and Seal, it is thought not binding although a firm promise, it being nine years since the Marriage, and during the whole time not one Farthing of that Estate has been applied to any use but paying the Debts, &c. of *John* late Duke of *Somerset*; and the Lord *Bruce* has disbursed of his own proper Mony above 4000 *l.* for the same use, which is denied to be paid, and took up after above 20000 *l.* more at one time on his own security, to free the Estate from the Debts and Legacies, and by consequence many Law Suits which were commenced for the same, and every part of it is Confessed to be applied its to use; and yet they refuse to have the said Debt charged on the Estate, as also to allow the Interest thereof: Which unheard of Proceedings, the Lord and Lady *Bruce* Humbly pray to be relieved from.

Reasons for the KING,

Dutchess of Richmond, and the Farmers,

To be offered against the BILL for Transferring the Duties of Subsidy and Aulnage to the Custom-House.

The Kings Title and Power to let to Farm.

First, **T**HE Aulnager was an Antient Officer of the Crown, as appears by *Magna Charta*, and other Statutes; and his Business was to Measure between the Buyer and Seller; and by the 27 *Edw. 3. Cap. 4.* his Fee is ascertain'd to a *Half-Penny* for a whole Cloath, and a *Farthing* on half a Cloath: But the *Subsidy* which is *Four Pence* on a Broad Cloath, and so proportionably on all Woollen Manufactures was, by other Statutes, given the Crown in Lieu of Antient Customs the Kings of *England* had on Wool Exported, as appears by Records, and in the 2d. part of *Cooks Institutes, Fol. 60.* and not for any Office to be performed by the Aulnager, as is most falsely suggested; and altho' by the Statute of 5 & 6 *Edw. 6. Cap. 6.* and other Statutes, the Office of the Aulnager is transferred to Searchers and Overseers, to be appointed by every County and City, with a Fee of *Two Pence* a Cloath, for their pains: Yet by those Statutes the Aulnagers Fee is reserved and made part of the Revenue: And these Revenues (with the moiety of Forfeitures) have been Let to Farm above two hundred Years, by virtue of the Statute of the 17 *Edw. 4. Cap. 5.* which enables the King to let the same to Farm: And the Seal now used (which they would insinuate to signify Nothing) is not the Seal of the Aulnager, which was heretofore a Seal of Content; for his power is taken away by the beforementioned Statutes; but the Seal of the Collector of the Subsidy mentioned in the Statute 27 *Edw. 3. Cap. 4.* and signifies only the Receipt of the Duties; and the Forfeitures is not for want of the Aulnagers Seal, but the Seal of the Collector of the Subsidy.

The Dutchess her Title.

Secondly, The Dutchess of Richmond hath 2000 *l. per Annum* out of the profits, secured by her Marriage-settlement, and by Decree in *Chancery* for 7600 *l.* (by her paid for the over-plus above her Joynture, and rent to the Crown to the Executors of the Duke) is a purchaser for valuable consideration of the remainder of a term of Sixty Years to come, purchased from the Crown by the late Duke her Husband in 1664. under the Rent of 997 *l. 2. s.* to which Rent the same had been reduced by Fines, and other considerations given the Crown, and of a surrender of a former Lease for 60. Years made by King James I. to Lodowick Duke of Richmond for valuable Considerations.

The Farmers Title.

Thirdly, The present Farmers, for Nine Thousand Pounds Fine, are Purchasers from the Dutchess, and her Trustees, of the same Duties, for Twenty-One Years, from 1682. under the yearly Rent of 3138 *l.* The Reason of which Low-Rent, was, That most of the chief Counties, As *Tork, Lancashire, Gloucester, Norfolk, &c.* were out in Lease for diverse years then to come; and that the Farmers must expend great Sums of Money, before they could Repay themselves any thing (as in Truth they did): The residue of the Term being Twenty-Two Years remaining still solely in the Dutchess, under the said Rent to the Crown.

The Recompence Insufficient.

These Three Rights appearing thus to be as legally and well vested respectively, as any mans Estate in *England*, and that under the security of the said Act of Parliament, enabling the King to grant the same, to Farm; The Prosecutors of the Bill will not appear Bare-faced to pray them to be destroyed: But as by the Title of the Bill appears, they call it only, *A Bill to Transfer the Duties to the Custom-House, and to give a Recompence for the same to the Crown.* By which very Title of the Bill they Discover themselves; for if it were only to be Transferred, and not Lessened, or taken Away, What need a Recompence for the same?

But to Shew that this Bill is not a sufficient Recompence;

To the Crown.
To the Dutchess.

First, Not to the Crown, for it takes away the said Rent to the Crown, and gives nothing in Lieu thereof.

Secondly, Not to the Dutchess: For the Bill does Impose little or no Duty on the Commodities Exported, more than they now pay, but some of them considerably Less, as by the particulars of the Duties now payable, compared with the Bill appears.

Eases the Home Consumption, to lay it on the Exportation.

Thirdly, It Discharges all the Commodities consumed at Home absolutely from these Duties, which by Law the Makers are now to pay, and gives a Duty to be paid by the Merchant, only on the goods Exported, which in the times of Peace, and best Trade, were never above a Third part of the Woollen Manufacture made in the Kingdom; and not only in time of War must be far Less, but also by the Increase and Improvement of Woollen Manufactures in Foreign parts, the Exportation must yearly Decrease. This, and the former Reasons, are Demonstrations, That what the Bill gives, must fall Short greatly above Two parts of the true Value, besides the Uncertainties.

The Charge at the Custom-House as great as Now.

The Prosecutors of the Bill would supply this by pretence, that the Expences of Collecting are now great, and will be saved by the Method of the Bill: Whereas they well know, that the Charge at the Custom-House, will be very great: But if they intend it should Depend upon the Collection of the Customs, and by the Custom-House-Officers without Charge, there is no such provision made by the Bill, nor what Officers shall Collect and Account for it, nor can it be expected that ever a just Care or Account can be had from Officers without an Allowance; and its hoped, they would not have an Estate of Inheritance depend upon what are but Temporary (as the Customs are); for should they Cease five times the Value of these Duties upon exportation would not pay for the Collecting.

The Customs but Temporary.

Two Bills of the same kind, have been brought before Your Lordships, but Your Lordships did not think fit to pass either of them, and the same Reasons still remain.

The Dutchess Pet' to the H. of Com' rejected, & not Read.

The prosecutors being sensible, those Bills were not a Compensation, have obtained some small Additions of Rates to be added upon such Commodities Chiefly; of which, little is Exported, which likewise (if the House of Commons had been pleased to have Heard the Persons interested upon their Petitions, which they Rejected without being read) would have been Demonstrated to that Honourable House, that the said Bill was no manner of Compensation, either in Value, or in point of Remedy.

The present clear Yearly Value of the Duties.

It hath been and will be made appear unto this most Honourable House, that the Yearly value of the said Duties Amounts to 7000 *l.* and upwards, clear of all Charge, and that the same is received only for such Manufactures as are Legally Lyable to the Payment of the said Duties; and that the Rates given by this Bill, will Amount to nothing near that Value, besides the Charge of Collection, and all Contingences of Trade and otherwise.

The Rates now given, not a Compensation.

It is also Objected, that the Grievances in the Collecting these Duties are so many and great, That the Office and Seal of the Aulnager and Collector of the Subsidy, ought to be taken away.

To which it is Answered.

Answer to the Complaints in Collecting the Duties.

That nothing has been done, but what the Law Directs for Recovering the Duty; and if any Person has suffered, it was the Default of not paying the Duties (or else using indirect means to avoid the payment of it) there being no power to Search or Seize any Goods, until they are Exposed to Sail, or Sold.

The persons Interested willing to submit to a Regulation.

But if the present Legal way of Collecting be inconvenient, that is neither an Argument to take away, or lessen the Right, but only to Regulate the manner of Collecting; and all persons concerned, are willing to consent to any Reasonable Proposals for Collecting thereof, so the Legal Duty be continued and secured.

The present Duties adjudged Legal.

That there is no Duty taken or Demanded, but what is expressly settled by Acts of Parliament, and by Antient Records of 300 Years and upwards, Adjudged upon them, and particularly by all the Judges of *England*, 2 *Jacobi 1.* And by Lord Chief Baron *Hales*, and other Judges; and which pursuant thereto, were Collected long before the Dutchess or Farmers were Concerned.

The Consideration of the Duties, Beneficial to the Kingdom.

If they mean the Seal of the Aulnager to be taken away, that is so already; but if they mean the Subsidy, how comes that to be a Grievance now, which has been paid almost 350 Years, and for the best considerations? viz. The increase of our Manufacture, by hindring the Exportation of Wool, whereby the Wealth of this Kingdom has so much increased.

The True Reason of the Bill.

But the True Reason of this Duty being a Grievance, is the Great Contributions that have been raised, and Subscriptions that have been obtained by some persons that are the Prosecutors of the Bill, upon the Express Conditions that the Duty shall be taken from the Clothier, and laid upon the Merchants; and to Support this Undertaking, have obtained Petitions and Letters, to that purpose; and now presume, by their circular Letters, to obtain the like to Your Lordships, to incline Your Lordships to the passing of the Bill: Well knowing, if they once absolve the Clothier from payment, and lay it upon the Merchant (as the Bill doth), it will be such a Burthen on Trade, that it is to be Feared, a Future Parliament may see greater cause to take the Duty Transferred to the Custom-House wholly away, and Consequently all the Estates therein utterly destroyed.

And the Dangerous Consequence of it.

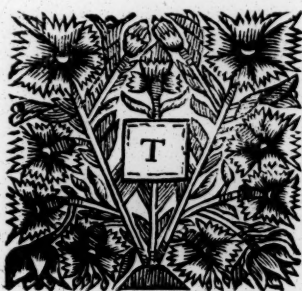
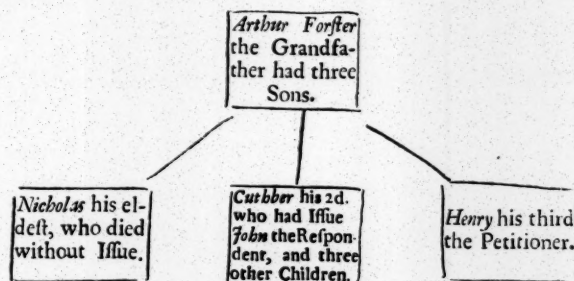
Wherefore it is humbly hoped the Bill shall not pass.



Reasons for the KING,
Dutcheſs of *Richmond*, and the
Farmers, againſt Paſſing the
Bill relating to the *Aulnage*.

The Case of JOHN FORSTER,

Respondent to the Petition of Appeal of *Henry Forster*, which seeks to Reverse a Decree of Dismission made in *Chancery* the last day of *May* last; and to affirm a Decree made in 1674 against the said *John Forster* (he being then an Infant of Seven Years of Age) unless Cause shewn when he came of Age.



HIS Respondent saith, That *Arthur Forster*, the Petitioner's Father, and this Respondent's Grandfather, having three Sons, viz. *Nicholas* his eldest, *Cuthbert* (this Respondent's Father) his second, and the Petitioner his youngest Son; and being seized in Fee of Free-hold, Copy-hold, and Customary Lands, worth 300 *l. per annum*, in *England*, and about 116 *l. per annum* in *Scotland*; besides about 10 *l. per annum* in *England* which he devised to the said *Cuthbert* his second Son, died about 20 years since. After whose death the same descended on the said *Nicholas* the eldest Son, who entred and was seized in Fee, and purchased other Lands of good value; and about 16 years since died so seized, without Issue. Upon whose death, all the said Estate descended on this Respondent, as Nephew and Heir of the said *Nicholas* (the said *Cuthbert* this Respondent's Father being dead, and leaving this Respondent an Infant of three years old, and another Son, and two Daughters.)

That the Petitioner taking advantage of this Respondent's Minority, and that his Mother had but 10 *l. per annum* for the Maintenance of her self and four Children, immediately after the death of the said *Nicholas*, entred into all the said Estate as well in *England* as *Scotland*, and got all the Deeds into his Custody: And this Respondent's Guardian having afterwards, in this Respondent's Name, and upon his Title, obtained a Verdict for the Customary and Copy-hold, and part of the Free-hold; the Petitioner exhibited his Bill in *Chancery* against this Respondent, then but four years old, to be quieted in his Possession, and for an Injunction, pretending three Titles, two at Law, and one in Equity*.

I. By the supposed Settlement in the Petition set forth, pretended to be made by the said *Arthur* one day before his death.

II. By an Agreement pretended to be made by the said *Nicholas* on the Petitioner's Marriage with *Sir Gideon Scott's* Niece in *Scotland*, for the settling all his Estate, after his own death without Issue, on the Petitioner in tail Male with remainder, to the right Heirs of *Nicholas*, in consideration of 10000 *Scotch* Marks Portion; which was a meer suggestion to prevent a Demur. And,

III. By a supposed Will made by the said *Nicholas*; whereunto an Answer being put in by this Respondent's Guardian on this Respondent's behalf, the Petitioner took a Commission into *Cumberland*, and there examined several of his Wife's Relations who lived in *Scotland*, to prove several paroll Discourses: Whereupon the Cause proceeded to an hearing, in 1674, before the then Lord Keeper, assisted with the late Judge *Wyndham*, who Decreed, That the Petitioner should enjoy to himself and his several Sons, and their respective Issue Male, according to the said pretended Settlement, all the Lands contained therein; and also to Him and his Heirs all other the Free-hold and Copy-hold Lands which were the Lands of the said *Nicholas*: And that this Respondent when he came of Age should convey the same accordingly, unless he should then shew cause to the contrary; and in the mean time awarded an Injunction, by colour whereof the Petitioner kept Possession of the said Estate above 14 years, and received above 4000 *l.* for the Profits.

That in *May* last this Respondent coming to shew cause against the said Decree, and having, by the Assistance of Friends, procured Counsel and Instructions proper for his just Defence, (which was not done at the former hearing, by reason of his Infancy, and his Mothers Inability) the Court, on long debate of the matter, and hearing the Proofs read, and what could be alledged on either side, saw no cause to give the Petitioner any relief, but discharged the former Decree, and dismissed the Bill with Costs, which is enrolled, as by the Orders and Proceedings may appear.

And this Respondent doth humbly insist, That the said Dismission is Just and Regular, and the former Decree Unjust and Erroneous; and that if the matters insisted on at the last hearing had been observed to the Court on the former hearing, they would then have dismissed the Bill, as this Respondent is advised.

And this Respondent farther saith, That he having twice recovered at Law upon full Evidence on both sides the said customary and Copy-hold Lands, and so much of the Free-hold as was purchased by the said *Nicholas*; which being in ejectment, the Petitioner may have, and ought to take his proper remedy at Law, in case he be aggrieved thereby, as this Respondent is also advised.

Wherefore, and for that the first Decree was not absolute, but only, unless this Respondent should, upon his attaining his Age, shew cause to the contrary; and upon this Respondent's shewing cause, was discharg'd; and that upon good grounds and just cause; he humbly hopes your Lordships will be pleased to dismiss the Petition, and confirm the said Dismission, &c.

And that for these Reasons.

- I. For that the first Decree (as well as this Petition) is beyond the Bill, which seeks only an Estate-Tayle in all the Lands, as well what is in the pretended Settlement, as what was afterwards purchased; and yet by the Decree the Petitioner is to have the Lands not in the Settlement in Fee.
- II. For that it appears by the Decree, that *Nicholas*, who is supposed to agree to confirm his Father's pretended Settlement, was thereby but Tenant for Life: So that if that was a good Settlement, 'twas not in his power to confirm it, or to do any Act to prejudice his next Brother's Right.
- III. For that by the Bill and Proofs it appears *Nicholas* was to be Tenant in Tail before the Petitioner, whose Remainder might have been barred by *Nicholas's* suffering a Recovery.
- IV. For that an Heir at Law ought not to be disinherited by uncertain paroll discourses, without writing, much less when neither the Petitioner, nor his Witnesses, agree what the effect of such discourses was, but contradict themselves, and each other.
- V. For that the pretended Portion of 10000 *Scotch* Marks, fell to 4000 *Scotch*, and that not paid, which if it had, it amounts but to about 220 *l. Sterl.* whereas the Petitioner had 1000 *l.* given him by his Father's Will out of his Personal Estate; who took no notice, nor in truth ever executed any Settlement; but the pretended Deed is feigned, or else was unduly obtained in his Sickness but one day before his Death, with which 1000 *l.* the Petitioner might have deserved a better Portion in *England*.*
- VI. For that here's a pretended Marriage-agreement without any provision for the Wife, or Children; nor is there any certain or fixt Agreement, whereon damages could be recovered at Law.
- VII. For that such pretended Paroll Discourses ought not to be favoured in Equity, much less, since the Act for prevention of Frauds and Perjuries, whereby all Marriage-agreements and Contracts for Lands not reduced into writing, are void.
- VIII. For that if there be any such Settlement, or Will, the Petitioner's remedy is at Law, and not in Equity; and those Pretences ought not to be used in Equity to countenance the Pretended Paroll-agreement, which in truth they rather contradict than affirm.

The Reason of the Petitioner's obtaining a Decree, unless Cause, was for the Reasons following, viz.

- I. For that the Respondent was but of the Age of four years, and had no person to examine his Witnesses touching the validity of the Deed, and reality of the pretended Agreement; nor any person capable of drawing his Briefs, and making Observations on the Petitioner's Proofs touching the forged Deed, and the pretended paroll Agreement.
- II. For that the Respondent's Counsel on the first hearing insisted only, That any Agreement whereby *Nicholas* was to have an Estate-Tayle, ought not to be executed against the Respondent after *Nicholas's* death, for that he might have barred such an Estate-Tayle; and that these Tenant-Right and Copy-hold Lands could not be intailed, nor were subject to a paroll Agreement; and in all Tenant-Right Estates, the consent of the Lord was necessary, and the Lord had a greater Interest whereby to admit or refuse Tenants, than in Copy-hold Lands; and *John* was admitted as Heir to his Father, his Uncle, and his Grandfather; and that the Respondent's Grandfather, on the Marriage with the Respondent's Father, had, upon a better consideration, made a paroll Agreement, whereby his Real Estate should come to the Respondent.

And the Counsel at the first hearing omitting to observe the Deed bears Date four days after 'twas executed, nor observing the incoherence and uncertainty of the Witnesses, and that the pretended paroll Agreement was but a discourse or flourish on the Treaty, and no real part of the Agreement; and that the Agreement was not such, that any Suit could be thereupon grounded at Law to recover Damage; and that the pretended Portion of 4000 *Scotch* Marks was but 220 *l.* and that all the Witnesses being *Scotch*-men, and near Relations, do depose in Terms of Art unlikely to be known by them; and the Petitioner by his Bill lays the Agreements to be, That the Lands should be settled on Him and the Heirs-males of his Body; and his Proof is of a Discourse that they should be settled on the Petitioner in Fee.

Note.

* The Petitioner when he drew his Bill, made *Walter Scott* (Father to the Petitioner's Wife) Complainant in the Bill; and set forth by the Bill, That the Treaty of Marriage made by *Nicholas Forster* was with *Walter Scott*: which *Walter Scott* died seven years before the pretended Marriage-Agreement; which the Petitioner (after the Respondent's Answer put in) apprehending, got an Order to amend his Bill; and in his amended Bill sets forth, That the Treaty of Marriage was with *Sir Gideon Scott*, who they never examined as a Witness to prove the Agreement.

Note.

* The Petitioner examines two Witnesses in *Chancery* to prove the pretended Deed of Settlement, and they both swear the Deed was executed six days before *Arthur's* Death; and *Arthur* died 23 Dec. 1669, and the Deed bears Date but the 24th day of Dec. 1669. So that the Deed bears date five days after 'twas executed, as by the Petitioner's own Proofs; by which it plainly appears the Deed is forged.

THE CASE

OF

The Lord *JEFFREYS*, and the Lady *CHARLOTTE*, his Wife,
sole Daughter and Heir of *Philip*, Earl of *Pembroke*, deceased,

In Relation to a BILL Entituled,

An ACT to set aside several Amendments and Alterations made in the Records and Writs
of a Fine and Two Recoveries in the *Grand Sessions*, held for the County of *Glamorgan*.

27 Dec. 1647.



PHILIP late Earl of *Pembroke* being seized in Tail Male, with remainder over to the present Earl, of several Mannors and Lands in the County of *Glamorgan*, in consideration of a Marriage to be had between him and *Henriette Queroualle*, and of 10000 *l.* Portion, did by Articles of that Date, Covenant with *Robert* Earl of *Sunderland*, and *Sidney* Lord *Godolphin*, to settle on her 13000 *l.* per Annum, during her Life, out of those Mannors, in lieu of a Joyniture; and entred into a Statute of 20000 *l.* Penalty to make good those Articles.

The Marriage took effect, and the Portion was paid; and the late Earl, to enable himself to make such Settlement, employs Mr. *Rider* and Mr. *Negus*, his own Servants, to get a Fine and Recovery, levied and suffered at the *Grand Sessions* held in *Glamorgan-shire* in April 1675. And accordingly Commissions of *Devinus Potestatem* were taken out, and directed to Mr. *Herbert Salladine*, Mr. *Francis Negus*, and others, as Commissioners to take the Earls acknowledgment of the Fine, and Warrant of Attorney for the Recovery; which were by *Salladine* and *Negus* duly executed and return'd.

That Mr. *Rider* coming to the *Grand Sessions* was informed, that there were several Freehold Leases on several parts of the Estate, and that the Recovery would not bar the Entail of those Lands, unless such Freehold Leases were first surrendred; and therefore Mr. *Rider* agrees with the Compounder for the King's Silver, to pass the Fine and Recovery at that time for 140 *l.* Composition Money; which was also to be a Satisfaction for a Second Fine and Recovery, if any were esteemed necessary, for the Tenements contained in such Freehold Leases: And in April 1675. a Fine and Recovery of the Estate passed, and a Chirograph of the Fine, and an Exemplification of the Recovery were brought to Sir *John King*, in order to have the Settlement drawn by him; and by his Direction and Advice the Freehold Leases were surrendred, and a Fine and a 2^{d.} Recovery duly suffered of those Lands, at the *Grand Sessions* held in August after. And thereupon a Chirograph of that Fine, and an Exemplification of that Recovery were brought also and delivered to the said Sir *John King*.

That thereupon the Earl by Indenture, dat. 10. Sep. 1675, Reciting both Fines and Recoveries to be duly levied and suffer'd, declar'd the Uses thereof to himself and his Heirs. And in pursuance of the said Articles, and subsequent Agreement secur'd to his Countess a Jointure of 1500 *l.* per annum, out of the said Mannors and Lands, of which the said Fines and Recoveries had pass'd.

And upon the Execution of the said Fines and Recoveries, and the said Conveyances, the Trustees of the Countess delivered up the Stat. of 20000 *l.* to the Earl to be cancell'd.

That in Aug. 1685. Earl *Philip* dyed without Issue Male, leaving only one Daughter, viz. the Lady *Charlotte* now Wife of the Lord *Jeffreys*; to whom all the said Mannors and Premises, of which the said Fine and Recovery were suffer'd, descended; and by whom after the Earls death, the Premises were enjoy'd, subject to the said Jointure of the Countess of *Pembroke*.

That the Records and Writs relating to the Fines and Recoveries are so carelessly kept in the County of *Glamorgan*; that many of them are Torn, Defac'd, Rotten, Lost, or otherwise embezelled, by the neglect and default of the Officers in the Courts there.

In Hil. Ter. 1687. The Earl of *Pembroke*, now Lord *Privy Seal*; hoping to take advantage of the Misprision of the Clerks in Entering the said Fines and Recoveries, or of their negligence in keeping them, brought three several Writs of Error to reverse the first Fine and both Recoveries, which were return'd accordingly.

That upon this occasion the Countess being advised, that the mistakes in the said Fines and Recoveries were amendable, and that upon a Writ of Error brought the Court usually Order'd Amendments to be made, did, by the advice of her Council, move the Justices of the *Grand Sessions* of *Wales*; That the mistakes in the said Fines and Recoveries might be amended, and the several Writs and parts of Records, that were rotten, eaten by Vermin or defac'd, might, as usually in like Cases, be supply'd upon the Testimony of Living Witnesses, who were concern'd in the said Fine and Recoveries.

That upon this motion, the usual Rule was made for amending and supplying the said Writs, unless the Earls Council should at a time appointed show cause to the contrary.

That upon hearing of Council on both sides, and upon sight of many Precedents of the like Amendments in *Westminster-Hall*, and upon the Opinion of many Eminent Council, and the Oaths of several Living Witnesses, That Commissions had issued, and were returned for the Earls acknowledging the Fine and Recoveries, and that the usual Writs and Proceedings had been made in prosecuting and perfecting them, and that the Records were kept in a confused manner, and in such places, that they were Rotten, Defac'd, or Lost: And that whatever Writ, or part of Records was wanting, was rotten or eaten by Vermin; such of the Defects, as were usually amendable, were by Rule of Court amended, or supplied.

Since which Proceedings the amended Records are removed into the King's Bench by *Certiorari*, and by the Rules of Law the Errors cannot be further proceeded in until the Lady *Charlotte* comes of Age.

The Present Earl hath now brought a Bill in Parliament, to set aside all these Amendments by the Legislative Power, and to disenherit the Heir at Law.

Now forasmuch as these Mistakes occasioned by the Misprision or Negligence of the Clerk in making or keeping Records have usually been amended and supplied.

And forasmuch as many good Laws have been made for the Enconragement of Amendments in the Reigns of several of their Majesties Predecessors, which do yet stand in force.

And forasmuch as a Common Recovery is favoured in Law, more than any Judgment or Proceedings in any other Real Action: As being a Common Assurance made by the mutual Consent of Parties, and upon which most of the Settlements in *England*, and the Titles of Purchasers do depend, and therefore hath been, and is usually amended and supported.

And forasmuch as this Precedent will be of fatal Consequence to most of the Estates in *England*, and more especially in *Wales*, if the Neglect, or Misprision, or indirect Acts of the Clerks shall set aside all Titles and Settlements, contrary to the plain Words of the Deeds, and the Testimony of many Witnesses yet alive, and the known Consent and Meaning of the Parties, without any Relief, or Amendment of those Mistakes: And the rather since it cannot be denied, that the Records in that County are kept in such Place and Manner, that there are no whole and entire Proceedings in any Fine or Recovery, suffered and levied in that County of Twenty Years standing.

It is therefore humbly Pray'd, That this Bill may not pass into an Act.



**The C A S E of
the Lord Jeffreys.**

**To be heard at the Bar of the
House of Lords on Friday the
17th of February, 1692.**



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The CASE of WILLIAM now Earl of DERBY

Executor of CHARLOTTE KATHERINA SAVAGE Deceased,

Only Daughter of Thomas Lord Colchester Deceas'd, in an Appeal Depending before the Right Honourable the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament Assembled, from a Dismissal made in the High Court of Chancery, of a Bill Exhibited by Thomas Earl Rivers Plaintiff, against the Earls of Derby and Strafford, Frances Richardson Executrix of John Richardson, and Thomas Munne Defendants.

Thomas Lord Colchester eldest Son of the Earl Rivers in the life time of Charles Earl of Derby Father of the now Earl, Married Charlotte Henrietta Daughter of Earl Charles, and Sister of the now Earl of Derby: And Earl Charles pay'd 2850 l. part of the Portion in his Life time; And he dying, the now Earl of Derby after his Death agreed to pay, and accordingly did pay 4500 l. in full. And thereupon.

13. May, 78. John Savage and Robert Pickering Esquires, by Indentures of Lease and Release for the Consideration therein mentioned, at the Request of the Earl of Rivers and Thomas Lord Colchester his Son, Granted and Settled the Mannors of Chich, St. Osith, Great Clacton and Little Clacton, and other Lands and Hereditaments Comit' Essex upon the Lord Colchester for Life Remainder as to part, to his Lady for Life in Joynture, Remainder to the Sons of that Marriage in Tail Male; Remainder to the Earl Rivers in Tail Male, with Remainder over, Remainder to the Earl Rivers right Heirs.

With a Proviso, and upon Condition that if the Lord Colchester and all his Issue Male by the Lady Charlotte should die, or that for want of Issue Male by her, the Premises, or any part thereof, should after his, or her Death remain, or come to any other Heir Male of him, or to any other person by force of those Limitations: And that if there should be any Daughter or Daughters of Thomas Lord Colchester on the Body of the Lady Charlotte begotten, living at his Death; That then the said Earls of Derby and Strafford, Mr. How and Mr. Hide and their Heirs, should stand and be Seized of all the said Mannors and Premises, other then except the Premises limited to the Lady Charlotte in Joynture, and after her Death: Then thereof likewise, to the intent and purpose that such Daughter and Daughters should and might receive, perceive and take the Sum of 10000 l. out of the Rents, Issues, Revenues and Profits thereof (except *ut supra*) to the use of such one Daughter, if there be but one, and if more, then the 10000 l. to be equally divided and distributed amongst them, together with the several Sums of 100 l. a piece yearly for the Maintenance of such Daughter and Daughters, from the Death of their Father, until payment of the said 10000 l. which is intended for their Portion and Portions as aforesaid.

By Vertue whereof the Lord Colchester became Seized of the Premises, and received the Rents and Profits thereof during his Life; and about October 1679. dy'd without Issue Male, leaving Issue by his said Lady who Survived him, one only Daughter Charlotte Katherina Savage, whereby his Lady became Seized of the Joynture, Premises, and the Trustees of the Residue for raising the 10000 l. and Maintenance.

The Joynture was entered and enjoyed her Joynture, and of the Residue the said John Richardson being Bayliff or Receiver to the Lord Colchester, continued to Receive the Profits, and paid the 100 l. per Annum Maintenance during his life, and died there, being then in his hands about 387 l. 15 s. 3 d. which came to the hands of his said Executrix.

After his Death, the Earls of Derby and Strafford, being the surviving Trustees, Authorized the Defendant Munne to manage the Estate and receive the Profits, and he paid the 100 l. per Annum Maintenance during the said Charlotte Katherina's life time, and at her Death had about 140 l. 11 s. in his hands.

16. March, 1687. The said Charlotte Katherina Savage died without Issue and unmarried, being of the Age of 17 years and upwards, having after 17 made her Will, and the Earl of Derby her Uncle Executor, who proved the Will.

That the Earl Rivers upon her Death, entering and denying Possession, and Demanding the Moneys in Mrs. Richardson and Mr. Munn's hands, the Earls of Derby and Strafford, Michaelmas-Term 3 Jac. 2. brought an Ejectment, and Hillary 1687. had Judgment to recover by Confession of the Earl Rivers, who,

31 Jan. 87. Exhibited his Bill in Chancery, setting out the Settlement and Proviso, and that Charlotte Katherina dying before 21 and unmarried, the Portion was sunk into the Inheritance, and ought not to be raised, and prayed Relief and a reconveyance by the two Earls, and payment to him of the Money in Mrs. Richardson and Mr. Munn's hands. The Defendants Answered, and

18 July last. The Cause coming to Hearing before the Lord Chancellor, and the Cause appearing to be *ut supra*, and the Question being, whether the said Charlotte Katherina being dead before 21 or Marriage, the Money already raised towards the 10000 l. should be pay'd to the Plaintiff or her Executor, and whether the remainder of the 10000 l. should be raised and pay'd, or sink into the Inheritance. And upon long Debate, the Court Declared, That the 10000 l. was an Interest vested in Charlotte Katherina, and was, and became due and payable as fast as the same could be raised after the Death of her Father, and that the Moneys raised, and the Residue of the 10000 l. did belong to, and ought to be raised and pay'd to the Earl of Derby as Executor, and was not sunk into the Inheritance. And therefore Dismiss'd the Bill.

That after this Hearing, the Earls Defendants Sued out a Writ of Possession which was executed about August or September last, and Mrs. Richardson and Mr. Munne (who had till then detained it) pay'd the Moneys in their hands, being (after Deduction for the Sheriffs Fees) in all 518 l. 10 s. to the Earl of Derby, which is all has been Received.

And now the Earl Rivers has brought his Petition of Appeal in Parliament to have the Dismissal in Chancery Revers'd, and a Decree made according to his Bill there.

And the Question in General is, Whether the Limitation being only *quousque*, the 10000 l. raised, and the Appellant both by his Petition and Bill, and the Confession of the Judgment, admits the Law to be against him. Whether a pretence of Equity shall so far interpose, as to control the exposition of Law in this Case, and the express Letter of the Deed, no previous agreement being so much as alledg'd to make the Deed otherwise than as it is Pen'd, nor limitation of any certain term for a security, nor of time either of Age or Marriage for Payment.

THE
ANSWERS and CASE
OF

Francis VVyvill and Ann his VVife,

To the Petition and Appeal of

Dorothy Hewley,

Exhibited by or on her behalf against them, to the Right Honourable the Lords Spiritual and Temporal
in Parliament Asssembled.

THAT the Respondent *Anne* was the Daughter of Sir *William Caley*, Baronet, and was about 1667. Married to Mr. *Christopher Hewley*, late of *York* Draper, who was then a Widower, and about the Age of Fifty years, and the Respondant *Anne* was then of about the Age of Twenty years.

That there having been several Treaties concerning the said Marriage (before the same was had): At length it was concluded and agreed upon between the said *Christopher Hewley* and the Relations of the Respondant *Anne*, That in consideration of the said then intended Marriage, and of the Portion which the Respondant *Anne* was to have, (and which afterwards the said *Christopher Hewley* had and received) the said *Christopher Hewley* was to settle upon her (for her Joynture, and in satisfaction of her Dower) Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments of the clear Yearly value of One hundred and Thirty Pounds for her Life (in case the Marriage took effect, and she survived him.) Which Agreement was reduced into Articles under Hand and Seal.

That pursuant to the said Agreement and Articles (and in part of performance thereof) the said *Christopher Hewley* did (at first) settle some Lands accordingly, but not of near the Yearly value of what he had agreed so to Settle: However the said *Christopher Hewley* (to enable him to perform his said Marriage Agreement) afterwards purchased other Lands, and (in completion of his said Agreement) Settled those Lands also, upon the Respondant *Anne* in full of her Joynture, as he ought to have done. All the Lands Settled upon the Respondant *Anne* for her Joynture being about One hundred and thirty Pounds *per Annum*, or under.

That the said Mr. *Hewley* had Issue (by the Respondant *Anne*) Two Daughters, *Viz.* The Appealant *Dorothy* and *Anne*, and no more Children, and died about Twenty years since: But the said Mr. *Hewley* (before his Decease) duly made and published his last Will and Testament in Writing, Dated the Seventh of *August* 1670.) Wherein he mentions and expresses the respective Annual Values of the Premises to be (in all) One hundred and thirty Pounds *per Annum*, and that he had before that time settled and Estited all the said Premises on the Respondant *Anne* for her Joynture, which though there had been no such Settlement made, had been a good Bequest at least in Conscience, and gave several Legacies. And the residue of his Goods, Chattels, and Personal Estate (after his Debts, Legacies, and Funerals paid and discharged) he thereby gave to the Respondant *Anne* whom he made his Sole Executrix; and after his Death she proved his Will, and paid his Debts and Legacies, and afterwards the Respondants Intermarried.

That ever after Mr. *Hewley's* Death the Joynture-Lands were quietly enjoyed until the now Appealant was instigated to give the Respondants disturbance by bringing Ejectments at Law for recovery of a Moiety of the Joynture-Lands, as she was the one of Mr. *Hewley's* Daughters and Co-Heirs, upon supposition, that no such Will was made, or that the said *Christopher Hewley* was *Non compas Mentis*, when he made it. To and in which Suites at Law the Appealant was the more encouraged, for that either she or some for her had the said Marriage-Articles, and Joynture-Deeds, or well knew that they were lost, or that the Respondants had not the same nor could produce them, for relief against which Suits at Law, and to have the possession of the Respondant *Anne* Joynture settled, the now Respondants Exhibited their Bill into the Honourable Court of *Chancery*.

In which Suit in *Chancery* it was so far proceeded, That the Cause was Heard the Two and Twentieth day of *November* 1689. And then solemnly debated by Counsel on both sides, and it was there then Decreed, that the now Respondant *Anne* should hold and enjoy her said Joynture-Lands for her Life, but not to commit Waste. Which Decree is signed and inrolled. That, albeit the Respondant *Anne* was in no wise obliged thereunto, she (freely and voluntarily) gave and secured to the Appealant and her Sister Five hundred pound, to be paid to them respectively in Moieties at their respective Ages of Twenty one years or days of Marriage, which will be paid accordingly, and though the Respondants expected to have had an Allowance out of the same for the Maintenance and Education of the said Daughters (as for so much as the Revenues of their other Lands and Estate would not extend to satisfy) Yet (by a late Decree in the said Court of *Chancery*) they are not to have any other Allowance for such their satisfaction, than what hath been raised out of the Revenues of the said other Lands, whereby the Respondants will be great losers, they having for many years with great Care and Tendernefs (and at considerable Charges and Expence) Maintained and Educated the Appealant (till she was perswaded to leave them) and her Sister.

That the validity of Mr. *Hewley's* said Will and his being of sane Memory, hath been already judicially determined by proving the same in the Court Ecclesiastical, as also in a Tryal at the Common-Law, where as well the due Making, and Publishing of the said Will, as the said Mr. *Hewley's* Sanity of mind at the making thereof, were particularly insisted upon and controverted, and the Will, and the Testators Sanity of mind (by sufficient Evidence) proved, and albeit (at the said Tryal at Law) a Special Verdict was found; yet therein the said Will was admitted.

And at the Hearing of the Cause in *Chancery*, all the Suggestions in the Petition were fully enquired into and examined.

As for the Custom of the Province of *York*, the Respondants claim nothing thereby, nor can the Appealant claim any thing thereby as these Respondants are advised.

Whereupon (and upon consideration of the whole matter) the Respondants humbly implore your Lordships to be Dismissed, and to have their Costs occasioned by this Appeal, and that the said Decree may be confirmed by your Lordships.

An Exact HISTORY of all the Glorious Actions of William III. Late King of England.

Being every Years Transactions from His Birth to His Death, as it was Presented to the Universities, Oxford and Cambridge, 1702.

With His Last SPEECH He made to the Parliament.

1650. **WILLIAM HENRY** de NASSAU, Prince of Orange, was born November 4th.
1651. The States-General were his Godfathers, and every one was ambitious of being his Tutor.
1657. His Effigies was made with Three Crowns in Holland.
1660. He received K. Charles II. very graciously at Breda.
1666. He was made Head of the Nobility, and President of the States of Middleburgh.
1672. He was chosen Governor-General of the States. He drove the French back as far as Utrecht. He succeeded to all the Offices of his Ancestors. He took Waltenburg and Binck. He refused the Sovereignty of Amsterdam. He besieged Warden and Tongres.
1673. He possessed himself of Narden, Rhinbeck, Breil, Leckwick and Warden. He seized the County of Bergen-op-zoon from the Count d'Arvergne. He, with Monceau, took Bonn in 8 days time. The Emperor gave him the Title of *Royal Highness*. The King of Spain called him by the Title of *Royal Highness*. He subdued Harwick-Creuscar and Boumelt.
1674. His Children were declared Hereditaries to his Offices. He confirmed Peace between England and Holland. He forced the French to quit Nimegue, Utrecht, Zutphen, Thiel and Vefel. He besieged Oudenarden. He refused the Sovereignty of Guelders, Zutphen and Arnhem.
1675. He re-took Binck after his Recovery from the Small-pox: He enjoyed the Baronny of Torwans and Soverburg.
1675. He besieged Mestricht, where he was wounded.
1677. He relieved Valenciennes and St. Omer. He fought the French at Mons. He married Mary, his Cousin, eldest Daughter to the Duke of York.
1678. He attacked the French at Mons. He besieged Charleroi. Lewis the 14th restored him to the Principality of Orange.
1682. He moved the States for the Restoration of his Lands.
1683. He stirred up the Spanish to make War against France.
1684. He honourably received the Duke of York when he came to see him.
1685. He sent an Ambassador to England, upon the Death of K. Charles. He sent an Ambassador to King James II. on his coming to the Crown.
1688. He made his Protestation against the Imprisonment of the Bishops, and other Irregularities of K. James. He was secretly invited to the Relief of distressed England. He fitted out a great Fleet. He discovered his Intention to the States of his Embarking for England. He was forced back by a Storm. November 1. he set sail again. Nov. 4. he landed in England with great Rejoicing. He was proclaimed in London, Deliverer of the Kingdom.
1689. The Parl. being assembled, he received Embassadors. And Feb. 13. he was desired to accept the Crown of Great Britain. April 11. he was crowned King & Mary his Wife Queen of Great Britain. The 7. of May he declared War against France. The 17. of May he was proclaimed King of Scotland. He landed in Ireland with a considerable Army. November 4. His Birth Day was kept through his Dominions, and he took Care of Wounded Men, and Ireland presented him with 200000 l. Sterling. He Distributed 600 Medals of Gold to the Parliament Men: And happily discovered Four Secret Conspiracies against his Sacred Person.



The Illustrious and Heroick
Third; of England, Scot-
KING; Defender of the
Guardian of our Religion,
the Champion of all Chri-

Prince, WILLIAM the
land, France, and Ireland,
True Protestant Faith; The
Laws, and Liberties; And
Random, &c.

King William the Third His most Gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliament, on Wednesday the 31st of December, 1701.

My Lords and Gentlemen,
I Promise my Self You are Met together full of that Just Sense of the Common Danger of Europe, and that Remembrance of the late Proceedings of the French King, which has been so fully and Universally Express'd in the Loyal and Seasonable Addresses of my People.—The Owning and Setting up the Pretended Prince of Wales for King of England, is not only the highest Indignity offered to me and the Nation, but does so nearly Concern every Man, who has a Regard for the Protestant Religion, or the present and future Quiet and Happiness of his Country, that I need not press You to lay it Seriously to Heart; and to consider what further Effectual Means may be used for Securing the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line, and Extinguishing the Hopes of all Pretenders, and their Open or Secret Attempts.
By the French King's Placing his Grandson on the Throne of Spain, he is in a Condition to Oppress the rest of Europe, unless Speedy and Effectual Measures be taken.—Under this Pretence, he is become the Real Master of the whole Spanish Monarchy; he has made it to be entirely Depending on France, and Dispos'd of it as of his Own Dominions, and by that means he has surrounded his Neighbours in such

a manner, that tho' the Name of Peace may be said to Continue, yet They are put to the Expence and Inconveniencies of a War.—This must Affect England, in the nearest and most sensible Manner, in respect of Our Trade, which will soon become Precarious in all the Valuable Branches of it; In respect to our Peace and Safety at Home, which We cannot Hope shall long Continue; And in respect to that Part which England ought to take in the Preservation of the Liberty of Europe.—In order to Obviate the General Calamity, with which the rest of Christendom is Threaten'd by this Exorbitant Power of France, I have Concluded several Alliances, according to the Encouragement given Me by both Houses of Parliament, which I will direct shall be aid before You, and which I Doubt not You will Enable Me to make Good.—There are some other Treaties still depending, that shall be likewise Communicated to You as soon as they are Perfected.—It is fit I should tell You the Eyes of all Europe are upon this Parliament; all Matters are at a Stand till Your Resolutions are known; and therefore no Time ought to be Lost.—You have yet an Opportunity by God's Blessing, to Secure to You and Your Posterity the quiet Enjoyment of Your Religion and Liberties, if You are

not wanting to Your Selves, but will exert the Ancient Vigour of the English Nation.—But I tell You plainly My Opinion is, if You do not lay hold on this Occasion, you have no Reason to Hope for another.—In order to do Your Part, it will be necessary to have a great Strength at Sea, and to Provide for the Security of Our Ships in Harbour, and also that there be such a Force at Land as is Expected in Proportion to the Forces of our Allies.
Gentlemen of the House of Commons,
I do Recommend these Matters to You with that Concern and Earnestness which their Importance Requires. At the same time I cannot but Press You to take care of the Publick Credit, which cannot be Preserved but by Keeping Sacred that Maxims, That they shall never be Lovers, who Trust to a Parliamentary Security.—It is always with Regret when I do ask, that of my People, but You will Observe, that I desire nothing which relates to any Personal Expense of Mine.—I am only pressing You to do all You can for Your own Safety and Honour, at so Critical and Dangerous a Time; and am willing that what is Given should be wholly Appropriated to the Purposes for which it is intended.—And since I am speaking on this Head, I think it proper to put You in mind, That during the late War, I ordered the Accounts to be laid yearly before the Parliament, and also gave My Assent to several Bills for Taking the Publick Accounts, That My Subjects might have Satisfaction how the Money given for the War was Applied, And I am willing That Matter may be put in any further way of Examination, That it may appear whether there were any Misapplications and Mismanagements; or whether the Debt they remain'd upon Us has really arisen from the Supplies, or the Delinquency of the Funds.—I have already told You how necessary Dispatch will be for Carrying on that great Publick Business, wherein Our Safety, and all that is Valuable to Us, depends. I hope what time can be spared will be Employed about those other very delectable Things, which I have so often Recommended from the Throne, I mean, The Forming some good Bills for Employing the Poor, for Encouraging Trade, and, The further Suppressing of Vices.

My Lords and Gentlemen,
I hope You are come together determined to avoid all manner of Differences and Differences, and Rejoice to all with a general and hearty Concurrence for Promoting the Common Good, which none can make this a happy Session.—I should think it as great a Blessing as could befall England, if I could observe You as much Inclined to lay aside those Unhappy Fatal animosities, which Divide and Weaken You, as I am Desirous to make all my Subjects Safe and Easy as to my, even the highest Officers command'd against Me.—Let the Contention You do Discontinue, the only hopes of Our Enemies by Your Divisions.—I have shewn, and will shew more, how dangerous I am to be the Common Father of all my People.—Do You in like manner lay aside Factions and Divisions.—Let there be no other Difficulties heard of among Us for the future, but of those who are for the Protestant Religion and the justest Establishments, and of those who want a Popish Prince and a French Government.—I will only add this, if You do in good earnest desire to see England hold the Balance of Europe, and to be indeed at the Head of the Protestant Interest, it will appear by Your right improving this present Opportunity.
FINIS.

1690. He landed in Ireland with Forty Thousand Men. He ordered 600 l. Sterl. to be given Monthly to the Poor. July the 11th. he passed the Boyne, and took Charlemont and Ballymore. The 13th of July he won the Battle at Drogheda, and carried on the Siege of Drogheda, notwithstanding his being wounded with a Cannon Shot. The 1st of October he took Lanesborough. He took Drogheda, Dublin, Cork, King'sale & Waterford, & parted from Ireland in Triumph. The 13 of October the Parliament presented him with 4 Millions and six hundred seventy l. Sterling. He found out several Conspiracies and forgave the Rebels.
1691. He made his Entry at the Hague under triumphal Arches. He reassumed all his Offices in Holland. The 28th of January, he presided at the States of Holland, & many Sovereign Princes and Lords paid him Visits. He held Conferences with Confederate Princes. On the 6th of April he conferred the most Noble Order of the Garter on the Duke of Zell. The 21 of June he passed Brussels in his Way to the Army. The 24th of May he took Irish Ashdown. The 29th of June he took English Ashdown. The 13 of July he won the Battle of Agmoy. The 21. of July he reduced Galway. The 3d. of October he took Limerick and the 21. The 2d. of October he assisted at the Council of State at the Hague. On the 19th of October he returned triumphantly to London.
1692. He beat the French Fleet.
1694. He took Huy, and bombard-ed Calais, Diepe and St. Malo.
1695. He bombarded Dunkirk and landed Troops at Brest. On the 29th of December died Mary the Second, Queen of Great Britain. On the 14th of July he besieged Namur, and on the 23d of August took it.
1696. A dreadful Conspiracy against his Majesty was miraculously discovered, and the pretended Invasion prevented in February. Charnock, King, Key, Friend, Perkins, Rowwood, Cra-burn and Lewis executed for High Treason in March and April. The Magnificent Entry of the Seigniors Saragoza and Venet. Embassadors extraordinary from Venice, on the 18th of April. He embarked the 6th, and landed in Holland the 6th of May. July 5, 6, and 7, he bombarded and laid in Ashes St. Martin in the Isle of Rhé, Olone on the Main, attacked the Isles of Belle, Croix, Ré and Cardinal, burnt near 30 Villages, and brought off vast Booty and many Prisoners.
1697. By his great Wisdom, Valour and Conduct, he brought the French King to Terms of Accommodation to resign great part of his Conquests by the Treaty of Ryswick, and forced him to own his Title to the Crown of Great Britain and Ireland, in the View of all Europe.
1698. He was visited by the Czar of Muscovy; and the same Year effected a Peace between the Emperor and the Turk.
1700. He entered into Alliances with the Emperor, Dutch and other Princes, to reduce the growing power of the Fr. King in order to revenge the affront offer'd him in proclaiming the pretended Pr. of Wales King of Great Britain, &c.
1701. He dissolved his Parliament and call'd a new one, to whom he made a most Gracious Speech, and March 8. died, much lamented by all his Subjects.

WALTER WILLIAMS,
And
ELIZABETH his Wife } **APPEALANTS.**

RICHARD REED the Younger, RESPONDENT.

The Appeal is to be relieved against two Decrees, the first made by the Lord Keeper *Coventry*,
Anno 1639. (46 Years since) the Second by the Earl of *Nottingham*, late Lord
Chancellor, 32 *Car. II.*

The CASE of the RESPONDENT.

10 Jacob. **J**ohn Reed seized of the two Meadows in question, demiseth them to *Katharine Reed*, his Sister, for 99 Years, and after conveys the Inheritance to *Edward Reed*, his Brother. *Katharine* enters, and by Will deviseth the Profits, being 100 *l. per Annum* in this Manner.

To the Poor of *Breden* 20 *l. per Annum*.
To *Elinor*, Daughter to her Brother *John Reed* 20 *l. per Annum*.
To *Edward*, her Brother, 15 *l. per annum*.
To her Brother *Foulke Reed* 15 *l. per annum*. And
To her Brother *Richard Reed*, the Elder, 30 *l. per annum*, to whom she gave the Lease to dispose of accordingly.
And after the Decease of these Legatees, she gave the Lease to the GENERAL HEIRS.

An. 1639. *Edward Reed* questions this Lease in *Chancery*, as a Mortgage for 1000 *l.* and it was *Anno 1639* decreed accordingly, and the 1000 *l.* divided amongst the Legatees, whereof *Elinor*, now married to *Richard Reed* the younger, was to have 140 *l.* for her share.

1642. And after divers Endeavors to reverse this Decree (but in vain) *Richard Reed*, the Younger, who had married *Elinor*, who was the GENERAL HEIR of the whole Family, buyes in this Decree of *Edward*, to secure the Lease to *Elinor* and her Children, and that *Katharine's* Will might be performed in kind, and paid 250 *l.* for it, and lost the 140 *l.* which was to come to him by the Decree, which considering that *Elinor*, and the other Legatees were all living, was more than the Lease was worth.

1662. Afterwards *Richard Reed*, the Elder, who had the Estate in Law, assigns it to *Richard Brent*, *Ann Brent*, and others in trust for *William Reed* (Son of *Elinor*, who was now dead) which *William Reed* was then the GENERAL HEIR.

1670. *William*, the Son, assigns his Interest to *Richard Reed* the Younger (his Father) the now Respondent.

Note, *Richard Reed* the Younger, the now Respondent, had now both Interests in himself.

1671. *Richard* the Younger (soon after) settles the said *William* in Marriage with the Petitioner *Elizabeth*, and thereupon settles 500 *l. per Annum* (the best of his Estate) upon him, and a Joynture of 250 *l. per Annum* to the Petitioner *Elizabeth*.

The Petitioner *Elizabeth*, after the Death of *William*, which was about four Years after, and being his Executrix, not content with her Joynture of 250 *l.* claims this Lease against this Assignment of her late Husband.

26 Junii 32 Car. 2. And thereupon arose cross Suits in *Chancery*, upon hearing whereof it was decreed for the Respondent *Richard Reed* the Younger, and the Assignment of *William* decreed to be good.

22 April. 33 Car. 2. And upon Re-hearing the Decree is confirmed.

And afterwards a Bill of Review is brought, which upon Hearing was dismiss'd.

08. 33. Car. 2. Then at last the now Petitioners do assign all their Interest in the said two Meadows to the Respondent *Richard Reed* the Younger.

All which the Petitioners do endeavor to avoid by this their Appeal upon Suggestion.

That the first Decree made 46 years since was unjust, and that all the other Proceedings were in pursuance of that Decree, and therefore to be laid aside.

To which is Answered.

1. That Suggestion appears to be a plain mistake; for the last Decree was chiefly grounded upon the Assignment made from *Richard* the Elder to the *Brents*, and from them to *William*, and from him to the Respondent *Richard Reed* the Younger, which Assignments were made in performance of the Will of *Katharine Reed*, which was made in the year 1623. and not in pursuance of the first Decree, but rather contrary to it.

2. The Respondent hopeth, that a Decree made in the year 1639, and no Appeal from it in any Parliament since that time until now, will be presumed to be just and not disparaged by the Petitioners, alleading it to be unjust, or saying, that the Lease was absolute.

3. But whether that Decree be just or unjust, it cannot affect this Cause: For if it were unjust, it was so only against *William*, who had the legal Interest in the Lease. But *William* by his Assignment made to the Respondent *Richard Reed*, (who had purchased the benefit of that Decree,) hath purged that wrong, and hath thereby disabled himself and his Executrix from Appealing from it.

4. *Richard Reed* the Respondent, in the settlement of his own Estate of Inheritance upon his Son *William*, at his Marriage gave his Son a recompence to more than ten times the value of this Lease.

So the Case in short is,

The Lease is devised to *Richard* the Elder, in trust (after some Annuities for life) for the GENERAL HEIR.

This GENERAL HEIR is *William Reed*, Eldest Son of *Elinor*, who was Daughter of *John Reed*, and the Wife of *Richard Reed* the Younger.

This Lease *Anno 1639*, is Decreed to be a Mortgage for 1000 *l.* *Richard* the Younger to preserve this Lease for his Family, bought in this Decree and quieted the Estate.

Richard Reed the Elder in pursuance of the Will, assigns the Lease in trust for *William* the GENERAL HEIR.

William afterwards assigns to *Richard* the Younger (his Father) the now Respondent.

So here is a clear Title in Richard the Younger.

And *William* hath by his Assignment barr'd himself, and by consequence his Executrix from having any Appeal, and both the Estates (the legal Estate from *Richard* the Elder, and the equity of Redemption by the Decree from *Edward*) are vested in the Respondent *Richard* the Younger.

It is to be observed that *Katharine* by her Will, intended to keep this Lease in the Name and Family of the *Reeds*, and so did *Richard Reed* the Elder, and *Richard Reed* the Younger, and so it now continues and is like to do.

And the Petitioners being Strangers, endeavour to wrest it out of the Family only by Title of Executorship, without any other consideration against their own, and her Husbands Acts and Deeds.

Giles Reed, had Issue.

1. John Reed,
bad Issue.

2. Edward Reed,
dead without Issue.

3. Foulke Reed,
dead without Issue.

4. Richard Reed,
dead without Issue.

5. Katharine Reed,
dead without Issue.

Elinor Married to Richard Reed the Younger,
bad Issue.

William Reed, the GENERAL HEIR.

TO THE KING

And

BOTH HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT

In PARLIAMENT Assembled.



THE Proposal contained in this Paper is (with submission) conceived of general advantage to the Kingdom, and thereby sufficiently recommended to obtain admission to present it self before you, whose Providence and Justice secure the Proposer of a readiness to embrace and promote whatever may improve the Welfare of the Publick: 'Tis his part to make the Proposal appear of advantage to your Common-Interest, wherein the welfare of the Publick consists.

THE PROPOSAL.

THAT an Act of Parliament may pass for building and fitting out with expedition a Fleet of 500 Busses of about 70 Tuns burthens a piece, to be employ'd in fishing for Herrings, Cod and Ling, in his Majesties Seas; and the profits to be disposed for the increasing of the said Fishing-Vessels to the number of 2000 or thereabouts, as it will be thought necessary; And after the paying of publick debts, and the defraying of all necessary charges, the property of the said Fleet to be fetled in the Crown.

THE ADVANTAGES.

A Fleet of two thousand Busses will employ yearly at Sea, at 15 Men to a Busse 30000 Men! besides at least 30000 more at Land in the service of the Fleet: It will save the Kingdom 100000 *l.* per Annum paid yearly to the Dutch for Fish taken by them in His Majesties Seas, and sold to the English—besides as much more in Taxes to the Poor. The first year the said 2000 Busses Sails, may (with God's blessing) defray the whole charge of Building, Tackle, Victualling, Fitting out, Officers and Seamens wages for that year, with an *overplus* of 183503 *l.* 0 *s.* 8 *d.* and will every year after, *Communibus annis*, as long as the Fleet lasts, yield His Majesty the clear profit of at least 2644033 *l.* 06 *s.* 08 *d.* Which is demonstrated as followeth:

Fish usually taken in Busse of 70 Tuns, <i>Communibus annis</i> , is at least		Herrings 100 laft worth <i>de claro</i> at least — 1000			
		Cod 15000 worth <i>de claro</i> at least — 0450			
		Ling 10000 worth <i>de claro</i> at least — 0800			
				2250.	00. 00.
The Charge of a Busse 70 Tuns the first year (ready to be demonstrated) will not exceed	Building, and fitting for sail	0403	10	00.	
	Victualling, and furnishing with lasting and wasting	0695	18	08.	
	Commodities				
	Officers, and Seamen's Wages	0233	01	00.	
					1332 09 08.
					Remains profit <i>de claro</i> each Busse 0917 10 04.
Which for 2000 Busses for the first year will be clear profit					1835033 06 08.
Profit of each Busse after the first year as above				2250	00 00.
Charge of Fitting, Victualling, Sallaries and Wages				0918	19 08.
					Profit <i>de claro</i> of each Busse 1321 00 04.
Which from 2000 Busses will amount to per Annum					2647033 06 8.

This Fleet will be a Nursery of Seamen, no less necessary than useful for asserting His Majesties Dominion of the Seas, and the Rights of his Crown, in Regulating Trade, against the encroachments of Strangers.

The Profits of this Fleet will lessen the necessity of Taxes for Support of the Government, and will improve the value of Land, and the Wealth of the Nation by saving 100000 pound now yearly exported by the *Hollanders* for Fish bought of them, and by the Importation of Coyne from abroad by Vent of Fish, taken and sold by His Majesties Subjects; the Monopoly of Fish taken by the *Hollander* in His Majesties Seas, being one main support of that Government.

As to Men and Materials for the Fleet, there will be sufficient of both, unless Money be wanting to carry on the Design.

1. The Interest of the King doth concern every particular Person, his undertaking of it is for every Man's advantage; whatsoever he gets thereby saves the Nation so much in their purses: For if the King gains as much by this as will maintain his Crown and Dignity, His Majesty may in time come to have the less need of Parliamentary-Taxes. He may also alleviate his Customs as low as any Nation whatsoever, which will bring the Trade of *Holland*, &c. into this Kingdom, invite all Ingenuous Manufacturers into the Nation, as well as rich Men into this Kingdom, and the rest of His Majesties Dominions, and also will preserve the Peace of this Nation from being disturbed and violated more than private Persons or Corporative Bodies will or can do in their undertaking of it, who cannot protect the Fishing-Fleet from the attempts and injury of Strangers, and may be apt upon evil instigations and discontents to strengthen either domestick or foreign Enemies, with their power both of shipping and Mariners.

2. That Money is wanting is the considerable Objection, and the same that lay in *Columbus* his way; and had it not been removed by supplies of Men, Money and Ships, adventured by *Spain* upon far less probable grounds of advantage than here are proposed, it had lost to that Crown, as it did to this and to the *French*, the first discovery of the *Mynes* in the *Indies*; But this is addressed to His Majesty and His Parliament, for raising six hundred thousand pounds, whereof one hundred thousand pounds to be employ'd for Docks, and for Store-houses and Wharfs, adjoining one to the other, that the goods may be convey'd from the Wharfs to the Store-houses, without the charge of Carting (which said sum will be demonstrated an ample Fund) to carry on and compleat this Design worthy their Encouragement, and referred by Providence (after the weak Essays of former times) to be perfected under the Auspicious Government of the best of Princes, and wisest of Parliaments, who cannot neither want either power or will to compleat what appears so clearly and eminently advantageous for the publick good and the interest of the Kingdom, and in order thereto to raise the Fund proposed, and to secure the Employment of it to the use it is designed for.

3. The Proposers are ready when commanded to demonstrate at large the facility of bringing the design to effect, the probability and greatness of its advantages when effected, and the necessity of it in order to any considerable Improvement of the Wealth, Strength and Honour of the Nation: And as to the Objection, they doubt not but to clear all can be made against it, except that of the want of six hundred thousand pounds to carry on the Work; yet they conceive they have already removed this Objection, by having demonstrated the Return of this Fund with so great an increase into the Publick Coffers, and presented that Demonstration to them who have power to give and lay out the Money proposed, but cannot lay it out to better advantage, for improving their and their Posterities Safety, Honour and Wealth, than by bringing to perfection this Design; which is not the Project of a Privat-brain, but An Enterprize of Publick good, approved by *Queen Elizabeth*, and upon solemn and mature deliberation, embraced and encouraged by *King James*, *King Charles the First*, and His now Majesty, and their several Privy-Councils, and furthered by several Grants under the Great-Seal of England, in the respective Reigns of the Princes last mentioned; And by this present Parliament by a Vote of the Honourable House of COMMONS 17 February 1670: That a Bill should be brought in for Encouragement of the Fishery.

S. WATSON.
S. WATSON.

T H C A S E

O F

CHARLES ^{calling himself} Earl of BANBURY.

THE Right Honourable *William Knollis*, Created *Lord Knollis* and *Viscount Wallingford*, and Knight of the most Noble Order of the *Garter* by King *James the First*; and by Letters Patents of the 18th of *August* 2 *Car. 1.* Created *Earl of Banbury*, To hold to him and the Heirs Males of his Body, with a Clause of *Precedence*, to take place next after *Francis* then Earl of *Westmerland*, and before *Henry* then Viscount *Mandevil*, and afterwards Earl of *Manchester*.

The said Earl (having no Issue by *Dorothy* his first Lady) did, after her decease, take to Wife the Lady *Elizabeth*, eldest Daughter to the Right Honourable *Thomas* late Earl of *Suffolk*, and they had Issue *Edward* Earl of *Banbury*, who dyed without Issue, and *Nicholas* late Earl of *Banbury*.

Some Questions arising in *Parliament* 3 *Caroli*, upon the Clause of *Precedence* in the Patent of 2 *Car. 1.* certain Earls did at the King's Request Grant *Precedence* to the then Earl of *Banbury*; but ordered, that he should have that *precedence* during Life only, and not *descendable* to his Heirs.

Earl *William* dyed 25 May 1632.

Earl *Edward*, his Eldest Son, being at the time of his Father's death aged little above five Years, was not summoned to any of the *Parliaments* in time of King *Charles the First*, nor could rightfully claim to be so summoned, being under Age, and so dyed without Issue, as aforesaid.

Earl *Nicholas* being born *January* 3. 1630. did, after his arrival to full Age, sit in *Parliament*, Convened in the Twelfth Year of the late King *Charles the Second*, at the time of His Majesties happy Restoration.

In the *Parliament* summoned in the Thirteenth Year of the late King *Charles the Second*, the said Earl *Nicholas*, having received no Writ of Summons to that *Parliament*, Addressed himself by humble Petition to his said late Majesty, setting forth, in effect, the Matters before expressed, and praying that he might be summoned by Writ to the said *Parliament*, and enjoy the Privilege and *Precedency* granted by the said Letters Patents of King *Charles the First*.

This Petition being by his Majesties Appointment delivered to the House of *Peers*, by the Lord Great Chamberlain of *England*, was thereupon by them taken into Consideration, and thereupon referred to the Lords Committees for Privileges, who were upon hearing the Petitioners Counsel, and the Kings Attorney General to make Report thereof.

The said Lords Committees being attended by Counsel and Witnesses on the Petitioners behalf, and also by Mr. Attorney General for the King, it was fully proved, that the said Earl *Nicholas* was born of the Body of the said Countess *Elizabeth*, during the Coverture between her and the said Earl *William*.

Mr. Attorney insisted on an Office by which it was found in 9 *Caroli*, That the said Earl dyed without Issue, and that it was reputed that he so dyed.

Whereunto it was insisted, That by the Common Law of the Land, if the Husband be within the four Seas, and the Wife hath Issue, no proof is to be admitted to prove the Child a Bastard. And Mr. Attorney did admit the Law to be so. And moreover, it was proved *Ex abundanti*, That the said Earl *William* was kind and conversant with his Countess, and of a good state of Health, using to ride abroad Hawking and Hunting, although of great Age.

And by a subsequent Inquisition, found in 17 *Car. primi*, it was found that the said Earl *William* had Issue as aforesaid, (*viz.*) *Edward* the then Earl of *Banbury*, his Son and Heir, &c.

Upon the whole matter the Lords Committees came to this Resolution, after several Attendances to Report their Opinions, (*viz.*)

That *Nicholas* Earl of *Banbury*, being in the Eye of the Law Son to *William* late Earl of *Banbury*, the House should therefore advise the King to send him a Writ to come to *Parliament*.

That the said Earl ought to have place in the House of *Peers*, according to the Date of his Patent, and not according to the Tenor of that part thereof, which ranketh him before other Earls Created before him.

After those proceedings, and before any final Determination thereupon, the said Earl *Nicholas* (having no Issue Male by the Lady *Isabella*, Daughter of the Right Honourable the late Earl of *Newport*, his first Wife) took to Wife *Anne* the Daughter of the Right Honourable the late Lord *Sherrard*, and had Issue by her *Charles*, now Earl of *Banbury*, his Eldest Son and Heir, and about years since dyed, leaving the said *Charles* Earl of *Banbury* an Infant under Age.

The said *Charles* Earl of *Banbury* hath not been summoned to any of the *Parliaments* of his late Majesty King *Charles the Second*, and by reason of his Infancy hath forborn to Claim or Petition for his Right:

But being now of full Age, and not being summoned, as other Peers are, hath humbly Petitioned the House of *Peers* to consider his Case, and represent the same to the King, to the end he may be relieved according to Right.

The Clause whereby the King granted *Precedence* to Earl *William*, and his Heirs Males, beyond what he would have had by his *Anciency*, and the Date of his Patent, did first occasion the Question touching the enjoyment of his Honour, which perhaps had never been otherwise questioned at all. But admitting the Law therein to be one way or other, the Honour of the Earldom is indubitably descended on *CHARLES* the now Earl of *Banbury*.

And neither the first Inquisition, or any Opinions or Presumptions concurring therewith, or founded thereon, are to be received or regarded in prejudice of the Legal and Rightful Heir, and the standing Rules of Law in Cases of Descent and favour of Legitimation, upon these plain Reasons.

1. The first Inquisition is no Evidence to conclude against other direct proof of the Fact, made in the Case upon Oath before the Lords Committees, of the Birth of Earl *Nicholas*.
2. The second Inquisition is to the contrary, and doth in effect Answer and Avoid the former.
3. By Law, no Proofs or Presumptions whatsoever, ought to be received to Illegitimate Issue born within Lawful Wedlock, while the Parents are both within the Four Seas. And in this Case, there was, besides the second Inquisition, Proof of Actual Kindness and Conversation between the Parents, which the Law would intend, if not proved.
4. By Law, no man ought to be Bastardized after his Death, when he cannot Answer for himself.
5. The Law doth so much favour Legitimation of Issue, That if a Bastard, actually born out of Wedlock, became seized of an Inheritance, and a Descent thereof to be cast on his Issue, even the Right of the Lawful Heir, or Mulier (as the Law Terms it) is thereby barr'd, and therein that Descent, from a mans Issue though Illegitimate, doth differ from others.

The now Earl of *Banbury* is unquestionably descended from Earl *Nicholas*, Actually Legal Heir of Earl *William*, in all Regular Qualifications, and Entitled to all the favourable Presumptions the Law doth afford; And it would be an extraordinary thing, both besides, and contrary to all common Rules of Law and Justice, to oppose a Legal Title, upon pretence and Opinion of Fact, so long since past, and never proved, examined, or brought to Judgment in the Lives of the Parties concerned, when themselves and many other Honourable Personages of their Alliance and Acquaintance might have given Proof and Testimony of their knowledge of many material Circumstances and other things now buried with them, and the very truth whereof is become impossible to be thoroughly discovered and made out.

The *East-India* Company, Appellants,

Mr. Attorney General at the Relation of *Walter* } Respondents.
Whitfeild, John Earl, and Thomas Kübler

The Appellants Case.

TH E *East-India* Company at their vast Charge Established a Trade to the *East-Indies* very profitable to this Kingdom; And had full Power by their Charter from the two last Kings, to make War or Peace with any Heathen Princes within their Limits, as occasion should require, without any reservation to the Crown or Lord High Admiral of *England* of the Tenth, or any other part of Prizes.

That the Great *Mogul* unjustly began a War against the Company, and seized their Factories, Servants, and Goods, and murdered several *English*, and besieged their Forts and Castles in the *East-Indies*, of which the late King *James* and his Council being informed, his Majesty was pleased to direct the Company (for the Preservation of their Rights, and the Vindication of the Honour of this Kingdom) to make War against the Great *Mogul* and his Subjects; and gave Commissions to several of his Captains or Ships of War to assist the Company, and observe their Orders in the Prosecution of that War: thereby requiring the Captains to take care that the Tenths of all Prizes taken by them in that War, and condemned as lawful Prize, should be secured and paid to the said late King.

This War continued several years, but at last a Peace much to the Honour of this Kingdom, was made, whereby all that was detained or stopped in the *Indies* during the War on both sides, and not plundered or destroyed, were to be referred to each other, and such Goods of the *Mogul's* Subjects as the Company had sent home, were to be paid for by them, which they have since satisfied accordingly.

That the whole Expences of that War (which were vastly Great) were born by the Company, and the King put to no Charge, and the Tenth of all Prizes in that War taken and condemned in the *East-Indies*, amounting in the whole to 1361 *l.* 13 *s.* 01 *d.* were duly paid into the *Exchequer* upon the Relators Motion.

But the said Relators pretending there were more Prizes taken and condemned than those answered to Their Majesties as aforesaid, got a Privy-Seal for a Third of the Tenth part of all Prize Goods during that War, and prevailed with Mr. Attorney General, at their Relation, to Exhibit a Bill into the Court of *Exchequer* against the Appellants for an Account of all Prize Goods generally, and to have the Tenths of the same.

To which Bill the Appellants put in their Answer, and insisted on several Matters arising in the *Indies* material and necessary to be proved, and upon which their just defence depended; and therefore often moved that Court for a Commission thither to examine their Witnesses, but were denied the same.

That after the Commencement of that Suit, two of the Companies Ships called *Charles* the II. and *New London*, arriving with Goods from the *East-Indies*, the Relators upon pretence that those Goods were all or most Prize Goods, obtained an Order from the Court of *Exchequer* to carry into Ware-houses, and open and view the whole Cargoes of both Ships, which they did, disordering every Bale thereof to the great damage of the Goods, a great part whereof was bought by the Companies Factors in the *East-Indies*, and other part belonging to other Merchants, and so the Appellants could have proved, and again moved the Court of *Exchequer* upon Affidavits for a Commission to prove the same, but were still denied it, though the Proof was put up in them by Mr. Attorney General's replying to their Answer, and although the said Court by their Order of the 9th of May last, had given the Company time to consider whether upon their having a Commission they would give Security to abide the Order of that Court on Hearing the Cause touching the Sum of Money reported due, which was but 5000 *l.* and had afterwards allowed of Security offered by the Company for that purpose, yet they could obtain no Commission and so the Company would first give security by three sufficient Persons in the Sum of 5000 *l.* (being more than three times the Sum reported due) to abide the Order of Court upon Hearing the Cause.

That the Appellants being thus denied the liberty of making their just Defence; put in exceptions to the Deputy Remembrancer's Report, being thereby (without any sufficient Proof) charged with 9000 *l.* for Prize Goods as brought home in the said two Ships; but the Exceptions were overruled as to all, save 1-9 Bales of Goods which were sent to a Tryal at Law, and by a Jury of Knights and Gentlemen at the *Exchequer*. But, a Verdict was found that they were not Prize Goods, tho' *Jeremiah Bonneale*, who was the only prize Witness against the Appellants, on which Verdict was founded) by his Affidavit and Depositions taken in the Cause, did swear, That the 1-9 Bales which were reported to be Prize Goods, were Prize Goods as well as the rest, and so his Testimony was contradicted by the Verdict as to the 1-9 Bales; and would have been so likewise as to the rest of the Goods, had the Appellants been allowed a Commission as of Right they ought.

After which Tryal the said Cause came to Hearing the 29th of November 1691. And a Decree passed against the Appellants for Payment to their Majesties 7940 *l.* for the Tenths of Prize Goods come to their hands in the said two Ships, or all which they could have discharged themselves, had they been allowed a Commission as they ought to have been.

Against which Decree, and the denying of a Commission to the Appellants for Examination of their Witnesses, an Appeal is brought, and the Appellants humbly pray that the Decree may be reversed for these Reasons.

F I R S T, For that the Decree was founded on the Testimony of a single Witness, who was falsified by a Verdict at Law given in the same Court where the Decree was made, and before the same Judges; and that in time, before the Decree was pronounced; and so, as humbly conceived, could be no good Ground in Equity for a Decree, nor ought a single Witness (tho' of good Credit) to be received against the Defendants Answer, that being contrary to the constant Practice and Rules of Equity, and there was no other Witness but him, who was falsified by a Verdict at Law to charge the Appellants with the Sum Decreed.

S E C O N D L Y, For that it is of common Right, and the constant Justice of all Courts of Equity, to grant Commissions beyond Sea for Examination of Witnesses there, where the Cause of Action ariseth, and when the Circumstance of the Case requires it, as in this Case it was manifestly necessary, the whole Matter of the Suit arising in the *East-Indies*, for without such Commission, it will be impossible to examine the Witnesses in Foreign Parts, and without Proof no Man can defend himself; and if the Appellants Witnesses in the *East-Indies* had been examined, there would have been no colour for any Decree; and therefore it is humbly hoped the Decree shall be Reversed.

THE
C A S E
OF THE
East-India Company,
Against
Mr. Attorney-General
And the Relators.

To be heard at the Bar of
the House of Lords on —
Tuesday 14. of Feb. 1692.

K. England. [App. - Mis.]

An Account of the Principal Officers, Civil and Military, of ENGLAND, in the Year 1697.

The Right Honourable the Lords of His Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, -47.

HIS Royal Highness Prince George of Denmark.
The Lord Archbishop of Canterbury.
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Henry Duke of Norfolk, Earl-Marshal of England.
William D. of Devonshire, Lord Steward of His Majesty's Household.
James Duke of Ormonde.
Charles Duke of Bolton.
Maurice Duke of Savoy.
Charles Duke of Shrewsbury, Principal Secretary of State.
William Duke of Bedford.
Charles Marquis of Winchester.
Robert Earl of Lindsey, Lord Great Chamberlain of England.
Charles Earl of Dorset and Middlesex, Lord Chamberlain to His Majesty.

John Earl of Oxford.
John Earl of Brington.
Thomas Earl of Stamford.
John Earl of Bath.
Lawrence Earl of Rochester.
William Earl of Portland.
Thomas Earl of Faulconberg.
Ralph Earl of Montagu.
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Francis Earl of Bedford.

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Ford Earl of Tankerville.
Richard Earl of Arundell.
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Henry Lord Bishop of London.
Robert Lord Bishop of Bath and Wells.
Charles Lord Bishop of Ely.
Sidney Lord Gosport.
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Sir John Trevor, Vice-Chamberlain to His Majesty.
Thomas Lord Winton, Comptroller of His Majesty's Household.
Sir William Temple, Kt. one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.
Charles Montague Esq. Chancellor and Under-Treasurer of the Exchequer.

Sir John Holt, Kt. Lord Chief Justice of the King's Bench.
John Lord Viscount Lisle.
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Sir John Trevor, Esq. one of His Majesty's Secretaries of State.
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1 Dr. Thomas, Archbishop of Canterbury.
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3 Lord President of the King's Council, Thomas Duke of Leeds.

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5 Lord Great Chamberlain, Robert Earl of Lindsey.
6 Constable of the Tower, Henry Duke of Devonshire.
7 Earl-Marshal, Charles Duke of Bolton.
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2 Clerk of the Closet, Dr. J. Montague.
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3 Master of the Horse, Henry de Nassau, Seigneur d'Orange.
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Richard Earl of Scarborough.
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Charles Earl of Shrewsbury.
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The Lord Keeper of the Privy Seal.
The First Commissioner of the Treasury.
The First Commissioner of the Admiralty, or Lord High Admiral.
The Principal Secretaries of State.
The Chancellor of the Exchequer for the Time being. And several others; or any Three of them.

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2 Wigan.
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4 Gold.
5 Lovell.
6 Wright.
7 King's Council, 4.
8 Gentles.
9 Barrer.
10 Clark.
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7 John Benoit Esq. Clerk of the Revenues.
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8 Sir Will. Esq.
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13 Sir Sam. Esq.
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16 Sir Francis Esq.
17 Sir Rich. Esq.
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The Heads of the Judges Arguments for the Deceased Duke of Norfolk, in the Case between him and his Brother Mr. Charles Howard, with some Observations on the Lord Chancellor Nottingham's Arguments.

THE Judges all agreed that the Limitation to Charles Howard was a void Limitation of the Trust; and that the Bill ought to be dismissed, grounding their opinions on the following Reasons.

1. All the Trust of the whole Term was vested in Henry by the Limitation of it to him and the Heirs Males of his Body, which in Law is a Disposition of the whole Interest: such a Trust being indeed greater in its nature, than a Term of years is capable of, in regard it cannot go to Heirs Males, but therefore hath been often resolved to contain the whole Interest. And where a term for years is under such a Limitation that will admit no Remainder, there can be no Contingent Remainder limited of such a Term; and to make that Limitation which could not be effectual by the Rules of Law, as a Remainder to take effect by calling it a springing use, is but a Quibble too light to have the countenance of the Law.

2. It's contrary to the Rules of Law, to limit an Interest either in Law or Equity of a Term, to take effect after any ones dying without Issue of his Body, and of a dangerous Consequence; for it would tend to make Perpetuities and fetter Estates: inasmuch as it is allowed of all hands, that if there can be such a Limitation by Law, allowed after a dying without Issue Male, there is no possibility of docking or destroying the Interests that are under such Limitations; so that such Estates can never be sold or parted with, no Recoveries reaching them, nor no Method in the Law nor possibility to do it, which would make Estates stagnate in a Family, and discourage all Ingenuity and Industry, which the Law perfectly abhors—And this the Lord Chancellor allows in his Arguments in this Case in his third Conclusion. And it mends not the matter, to say that this is under a Limitation of Thomas his dying without Issue in the Life of Henry; for

3. Note, the Lord Chancellor (finding himself pinch'd with this Reason, in his Argument endeavours to answer it by saying, he would stop any where when he should find an Inconvenience by allowing such a Limitation, which is a poor Evasion, and the Judges conceived would be too late when it should have gained the Countenance of such a solemn Precedent and Resolution, and conceived it more agreeable to the Prudence and Policy of the Law, to prevent such Inconveniences when foreseen, than to distinguish ones self out of them, or retract opinions by a (*non putavim.*)

3. This is a stretch farther than ever before was endeavoured, the Judges have gone as far as is fit in indulging mens dispositions of Terms to take effects by Limitations after Lives—If this Limitation should be admitted (if Thomas dye without Issue in the Life of Henry, then the next strain would be to limit a Term over upon ones dying without Issue during the Lives of two or three, and then of twenty men: and then if he should dye without Issue within seven years, for that is equal to a Life, and then within twenty years, then why not within a hundred years, and then why not within a thousand, or during the term, &c. for all these are less Interests in the eye of the Law, than a Freehold, and where should we end or stop; for it must be confessed that there is the same reason for all these, as it was by experience found upon the Judgment of Mathew Manning's Case, when it was once allowed that a term for years might be limited to one, and if he died within the term then to another; it was soon found that there was the same reason to allow a Limitation of it after two as twenty Lives, which hath been the occasion of Fettering Estates exceedingly by such Limitations of terms to take effect after Lives, and made the Judges often repine at that Judgment, and declare that if it were now a new Case, since they have seen the Inconveniencies of it) it would never have been so adjudged. So Bridgeman in the Case of Grigg and Hopkins. Siderfin's Report fo. 37.

4. It's agreed on all hands that there is the same reason and ground of allowing Limitations of terms for years at Law, as there is for allowing Limitations of trusts of terms for years in Equity and no other: Now there hath never been any Judgment that the Limitation of a Term to one, after anothers dying without Issue was good—It hath been often endeavoured, and (if it could have gained the Precedent of such a solemn Resolution) would no doubt of it, be too often practiced. But it hath always been disallowed, and many Judgments against it—Leventhorp and Ashby Pasc. 11 Car. 1. in B. Reg. Rolles 611. Sanders and Cornish Rolles 611, 612. Rolles 2. Rep. 1 Cro. Backburst and Bellinghams Case. Mod. Rep. 115. and Burgis Case there reported.

And Child and Bayley's Case Trin. 15. Jac. Rot. 183. in Banc. Reg. which is a Judgment in the very Point—William Heath being possessed of a term for 76. years, by his Will devised it to his Wife, and afterwards to William his Son, provided that if William his Son should dye without Issue of his body then living at the time of his death, then Thomas his eldest Son should have the term; William did dye without Issue, living Thomas, yet Thomas could not have the term, because the whole Court of Kings-Bench adjudged that the Limitation to Thomas after the death of William without Issue (tho this Contingent was confin'd to a Life, as here it is) was void, for the reason before mentioned. And this Judgment afterwards affirmed in a Writ of Error in the Exchequer Chamber, by all the Judges of the Common Pleas and Barons of the Exchequer, so that it was a solemn Judgment of all the Judges of England, and which alone were enough to rule the Case in question.

Yet the Lord Chancellor Decreed this Limitation to Charles to be a good Limitation, and that he should hold the Barony during the residue of the term, and have an account of the Profits thereof from the death of Duke Thomas. Declaring his reasons to be as followeth.

1. Note this is true, but it doth not follow that he may dispose them contrary to the Rule of Law.

2. Note this hath no weight, for many words are oft inserted in Settlements that are idle; and operate nothing, and these are not the only words in this that are idle, for the Lord Chancellor allows here, that the Limitation to Edward and all after him are void.

3. This is so weak a Reason, that it requires no answer.

4. This answered in the Judges third Reason *supr.*

Note, this Case of Child and Bayly was adjudged by all the Judges of England, First in the King's Bench, and then in the Exchequer Chamber, and hath been approved and cited by many Judges in many Cases since, and made the ground of several Judgments, and never denied for Law, as in Love and Windham, and Grigg and Hopkins, and other Cases, till now by the Lord Chancellor, being thus hard put to it to maintain this opinion of his.

Note, this touches not this Case of the Duke of Norfolk, for there John never had any Limitation took effect at all, for it was to commence upon condition, which never happened; so it was all one, as if there had been no Limitation at all.

1. Some men have no Estates but Terms of years; and he that hath a term of years, hath as much right to dispose of it, as he that hath a Fee-Simple.

2. Unless these words (if Thomas dye without Issue in the Life of Henry) have the effect of excepting this out of the common Cases of limiting terms over upon ones dying without Issue—The words are idle and of no effect.

3. This might have been done in another way (*viz.* by making the first term to cease upon this Contingency, and limiting a new one to Charles) and therefore shall be taken to be good this way.

4. That the meanness of a Term for years or Chattel Interest, is not to be regarded in Limitations of it.—It was at first disputed, whether it might be limited over, after a Life, and some opinions against it: but that afterwards obtained; and though the Judges would not allow a Limitation of it over after a dying without Issue; but he saw no Reason why it might not be allowed after a dying without Issue in such a ones Life; for that is but equal to a Limitation after a Life.

Then the Lord Chancellor seeks to evade the Case of Child and Bayly, by making several distinctions between that and the Case in question, which it's plain that he himself look'd upon but as frivolous, and saw there was no real difference between them; and therefore to fortify his own Resolution, he is driven at last in plain downright terms to deny it to be Law, calling it a single Resolution, that never had any like it before or since.

And he opposes to this Resolution in Child and Bayly's Case, two other Cases; the one of Heath and Cotton, (which is nothing to the purpose, there being no Limitation after a dying without Issue, but only after a Death) the other of Wood and Sanders; where a Term is limited to the Father for his Life; then to the Mother for hers; then if John survive his Father and Mother, to him; and if he die in their Lives, and leave Issue, to his Issue; if he die without Issue in their Lives time, then to Edward his Brother; he died in their Lives time without Issue, and holdeth that the Limitation to Edward was good.

Nevertheless the Lord Chancellor made such a Decree, That Charles should hold the Land during the residue of the term; urging further for his so doing, that it was the Will of Hen. Frederick, Father of the Plaintiff and Defendant, who was owner of the Estate; and therefore that it was equitable and just to decree that should go accordingly; not allowing that mens Wills and Intentions are to be bounded by the Rules of Law, and no farther to prevail, than the Metnious and Rules of Law warrant them.

There being afterwards a Bill of Review brought upon this Decree, before the now Lord Keeper; and his Lordship finding the said Decree grounded upon great Mistakes, and likely to be a ground it self of great Inconveniency, did reverse the said Decree, as being erroneous, and against Law, and dismissed the said Charles Howard's Bill.

Whereupon the Appeal is now brought in the Lords House.

The CASE of the King and Queen Dowager, by their Attornies the Lord Privy Seal, the Earl of Chesterfield, the Lord Chief Baron Mountague, the King and Queen Dowagers surviving trustees Thomas Eyre Esq; and George Shaw Gent. Respondents to the Petition of Thomas Eyre, William Ing, Henry Balgay Esquires, and other Appealants.



ING Charles the First of ever blessed Memory, in the Tenth Year of His Reign, was seized of the Forrest of *High Peak* in the County of *Darby*, then and before, plentifully stored with Red Deer, that there were Forresters there, and the Forrest Laws continually put in execution; That the Freeholders and Tenants of the several Towns within the said Forrest, viz. of *Bowden, Middle-cale, Chappel in le Frith, Shalcrofs, Fairfeild, Fernaly, Castleton, Mellor, Hope, Bradwell, and Wormhill*, finding themselves much aggrieved, not only with the Deer by eating up their Corn and Grass, but also with the Severity of the Laws of the said Forrest, did Petition His said Majesty to destroy the said Forrest, and improve his Wafts and Commons there, which were very large, whereupon the King was most Graciously pleased to condescend to the destruction of the same, to which purpose he issued forth his Commission out of His Dutchy, to enquire as well of His as of the Tenants claimes within the said Forrest, with power to the Sheriff to Impanual Juries, and likewise Power to swear them to that purpose, and instructions were annexed to the said Commission, what particulars should be given in Charge to the Jury; and one Jury did present that the King might reasonably improve one Moyety of the Wafts within the said Forrest, after which Presentment Mr. *Woodroff* a Counceller at Law of the *Inner Temple*, who lived in *Hope* aforesaid, and had Land in *Hope* and *Bradwell* aforesaid, worth 400 *l. per Annum*, was entrusted by all the other the said Towns, as well as *Hope* and *Bradwell*, to mannage all their Affairs concerning their improving the said Commons, with the Lord *Newburgh* then Chancellor of the Dutchy; and in the Year 1639 as appears by the said Mr. *Woodroffs* Letter, the Lord *Newburgh* directed Agents should be sent up, to Treat and Agree with his Lordship for the Commons, which accordingly was done, and all the said Towns sent up their respective Agents, and the Towns of *Hope* and *Bradwell*, did then particularly Employ and Entrust for the purposes aforesaid, the said Mr. *Woodroff*, and one *Thomas Eyre* of *Shatton*, whose Charges were born by the said Towns, and the Town of *Wormhill* did send up and entrust one *Randell Brock* then Servant to *Rowland Eyre* Esq; and one *Thomas Herrold* whose Charges were likewise born by that Town, and all the several Agents for the respective Towns within the said Forrest for which they were entrusted, did Consent and Agree, that His then Majesty should have a Moyety of their Wafts, at which time the Agents for *Bowden, Middle-cale*, did Contract and Agree for the Kings Moyety within them for a Fine and Yearly Rent, all the said Commons were Surveyed, and most of them divided into Two equal parts, one for His then Majesty, and the other for the Tenants; before the said Agents were sent to treat with the then Chancellor for the purpose aforesaid, and the Agents for the Towns within the said Forrest having all Agreed and Consented that the King should have one Moyety of the Commons, and *Bowden Middle-cale* having Contracted for the Kings Moyety within them, His then Majesty being on His part to destroy the said Forrest, accordingly did destroy the same, and any Person after the first Days Hunting had liberty to kill Deer there, and the Forresters from the remote parts of the said Forrest did fetch in the Deer into the Campain or the plain part of the Forrest that they might the more easily there be killed and utterly destroyed, and His Majesty having performed what on His part was to be done, and presently after that the late horrid Rebellion broke out, which put a stop to His then Majesties Improving or Farming His Moyety of the said Commons, and the now Appealants ever since that time do enjoy all the Profits of the said Commons, as well the Kings as their own part, so that His said late Majesty never received any Profit or Compensation for the destruction of His Forrest, all which proceedings as aforesaid being transacted at the then Chancellors House, most of the Records relating to that matter, are either lost or mislaid.

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And to prevent all just Accusations of a project or surprize of the Country, the Relator *Eyre* did not make his discovery until His late Majesty King *Charles* the Second of ever blessed Memory had happily been restored Fourteen Years, and then obtained Grants from the Queen Dowager, of the said Moyety belonging to the Crown, being part of Her said Majesties Jointure under a Yearly Rent, with a clause of Determination in the Grant for non-payment of the Rent, and likewise obtained a Grant of the reversion from His said late Majesty King *Charles* the Second, and then the Relator *Eyre* entred upon the same, and the Freeholders in all as well as in these Towns of *Bradwell, Hope, and Wormhill*, did deny the Kings Right, the King having long ago made very great improvements so that they have not sufficient Common for their Cattle and claimed all to be their own but the Soyle, Whereupon Mr. Attorney General of the Dutchy by the Relation of *Thomas Eyre* the said Patente, in the Year 1674 exhibited an Information, against the Inhabitants of *Bowden, Middle-cale*, and after a long Suit upon very good proof of all the matter before recited did obtain a Decree for the Kings Moyety within that Town, and on re-hearing the same Cause the Decree was confirmed, after which the King and now Queen Dowager by their Attornies the now Lord Privy Seal, the Earl of *Chesterfeild*, the Lord Chief Baron *Mountague*, the King and Queens surviving Trustees, the Relator *Eyre*, and *George Shaw*, exhibited another Information against all the Freeholders in the Towns of *Castleton, Mellor, Chappel in le Frith, Shalcrofs, Fairfeild, Fernaly, Hope, Bradwell, and Wormhill*, which Information was to the same effect as the former, and after another long and tedious Suit, upon the very same proofs as in the former Suit obtained a Decree, which upon a re-hearing was likewise confirmed, and the now Appealants *William Ing, Thomas Eyre, Henry Balgay, &c.* were all served with Privy Seals out of the Dutchy Court but did not appear, but stood in contempt till after the Decree upon the said last mentioned Information wherein they were named parties, knowing the Kings evidence, whereby they might prepare crose Interrogatories thereby to pussel the Kings aged Witnesses, and likewise counter prove their Testimonies by the help of leading Interrogatories, then came and prayed that they might be heard. Whereupon a Third Information was exhibited against them, and after several hearings obtained a Decree for the Kings Moyety within the Towns of *Hope, Bradwell, and Wormhill*, which Decree last mentioned upon re-hearing was confirmed; These Three Towns which now Complain are the best Land, and did lie in most of the spoyle of the Deer, would have all those Towns as *Bowden, Middle-cale, Mellor, Shalcrofs*, which are very Barren and Boggy Land to be bound by the Agreement, and theirs being the best Land to be unconcerned, and would after Forty six Years, the Deer being destroyed as aforesaid in execution of the said Agreement on the Kings part, and the King having performed His part of the said Agreement, and so improov they endeavour to compel His Majesty to try this Agreement at Law made Forty six Years since, and by such Tryal upon an improvement design to overthrow the said Decree so solemnly made in a matter properly examinable and determinable in Equity, in the said Court of Dutchy, being the Kings Court of Revenue as well as a Court of Equity, having proper Jurisdiction of the said Cause, and having so deliberately heard and determined the same. And by the King and Queens Prerogative they may try their Cause in what Court they please, and not be prescribed to their Court or the manner of their proceeding by the defendant to their Suit.

These Appellants do alleage that they have differenced their Case from the other Case, and the reason not the same, for an improvement here, there having been some Hundred years ago, many great improvements made within them, (viz.) within *Hope*, and *Bradwell*, hath been improved a great parcel of Ground called the *Woodlands* or *Croekhill*, another piece called *Edal*. And within *Wormhill* hath been improved a piece of Land called the *Campaign*, the over end, and *Green Fairfeild*, and so by those improvements they have not Common left sufficient for their Commonable Cattle, and so would insinuate that the now improvement ought to be upon no other ground or reason but upon surplus of Common.

All the Defendants in the Information against the Freeholders of *Bowden, Middle-cale*, where the Commons are very Barren, did by their Answers say, That the Kings and Queens of *England*, and Dukes of *Lancaster*, had made so great Improvements within them that they had not sufficient Common left, and no reason for another Improvement now, and did set forth, that divers great parcels of Land to a considerable Yearly value were improved (viz.) *Chenly* or *Maidstone Feild, Shellse, Comes* and *Twarden*.

And all the Defendants to the Information against *Chappel in le Frith, Mellor, Shalcrofs, Fairfeild, Fernaly, Castleton, Hope, Bradwell, Wormhill*, did by their Answers use the same Argument for themselves, and said that the *Campaign*, and all the *Woodlands*, the over end, and *Green Fairfeild* were taken from them, and so no Surplus of Common nor sufficient left for their Cattle.

The Defendants to all the said Informations have used the same Argument as aforesaid, and so overlook the consideration of the Kings destroying His Forrest, as not valuable to them, and their inclosed Lands freed from the Forrest Laws, as not considerable.

All the said Improved Lands were severalties in many parts of the Forrest for to fat the Kings Deer, and no Man claimed or had any Common there, but Cattle were aged there to feed amongst the Deer, as the Forresters saw occasion.

And although all the said severalties are now Granted in Fesfarm, yet are not by the Grants thereof De-afforrested, or the Kings Deer hindred from their quiet feeding thereon as formerly.

A Welsh-mans Answer to a Paper Entitled, *The Case of their Majesties Subjects in the Principality of Wales, in respect of the Court held before the President and Council in the Marches of Wales.*

THE Case in the first Paragraph of it, tells us a pretty Story of the Original cause of Erecting the Court in the Marches, of which, I must needs admit, that there is no doubt of it, (as the Author is fond to have the World believe,) but that it is the happy Invention of his own soft Brain, for I am sure the thing is not so of his own knowledge, for he was not then born, neither doth he cite any Author from whence he received his Information.

It tells us also, that the Court never held any Pleas in any Civil Actions, until after the Erecting of the Court of Star-Chamber. This Information leaves us as much in the dark, as to the time when the Court first held Pleas in Civil Actions, as if he had said nothing; for to tell us that the Court never held Pleas in Civil Actions, until after the erecting of the Court of Star-Chamber, and not to tell us when the Court of Star-Chamber was erected, I am sure is no Welsh way of Demonstration, where-ever our Author learned it, my Country-men being generally more Ingenious.

My Author tells me, that *Wales* (which was once all that Tract of Ground on the West side of *Severne*) was a separate Kingdom from *England* for many Generations, and though it might be at times sub-divided within it self into many inferior and subordinate Principalities, yet the Greatest and Predominant Prince was always accounted King and Sovereign of *Wales*, the last of which was *Llewelin* who was overcome and slain in Battel by King *Edward the First*; and thereupon in order to have and preserve a perfect Sub-mission of the Welsh to the Crown of *England*, King *Edward* was desirous to have one General English Vicegerent over the whole Body of the Welsh, but this they mainly opposed: Whereupon the King sent his Queen, being Great with Child, to *Garnarwan*, where she was Delivered of a Son; upon the News whereof, the King assembled the Welsh Lords, and offered to name them a Governour which could not speak one word of English, and whose Life no Man could charge with any Misbehaviour.

To this they all agreed, and Swore to obey such a one; which being done, the King Named his Young Son *Edward*, since which time our Kings Eldest Sons have been Princes of *Wales*; and whenever any of them came into that Country, they fix'd their Court at *Ludlow*, where the said Court before the President and Council is kept, to the end, says my Author, that by their Presence they might both satisfy and keep in order the Welsh-men, which could not be without a Court of Justice to determine their Civil Rights. And that this is the true State of the Case, as to the Constitution of *Wales*, see *Heylin's Cosm.* Lib. 1. from 275. to 281.

The Principality of *Wales* is such a flower of the Crown of *England*, as therewith our Kings have opportunity of obliging their Eldest Sons; and our neighbour Kings have the like conveniency, *Spain* hath *Asturias*, and *France* the Country of *Dauphin* for the same purpose, and for that reason, if there were no other, I conceive the Principality of *Wales* ought to be preserved in all its Grandeur and Privileges, and to separate the Courts of Justice far from the Courts Royal of Princes, doth much Eclipse their Lustre.

Now, to any man that considers how general a Practice it is, that where Vicegerents or Lieutenants to Kings are Resident, that for the most part there are also Courts of Justice of General Jurisdiction that extend over all that Dominion, as well in Civil as Criminal Matters: I say to such a Man, it will seem very probable that there always was such a Court at *Ludlow*, at least since there was first a Prince of *Wales*; unless it be plainly proved to the contrary out of some good Author of those times, and how well the Author of the Case hath done it, let us see what he says further.

The Case tells us in the second Paragraph, that the first Commission and Power granted to that Court, to hear and determine Civil Actions, was in the Reign of *H. 8.*

This, as all other Allegations that want proof, I must take to be but a meer Fiction, until it be proved out of some good Author, that could in probability know how the Case stood before *Henry* the Eighth's time.

The next step our Case-hardened Author makes, is to put a Restraint upon the Constituting Clause, as he calls it, of the 34. and 35. of *Hen. 8.* by telling us it relates only to the Star-Chamber Jurisdiction.

Now to know whether that be so or no, it behoves us first to know what belongs to the Star-Chamber Jurisdiction.

My Lord *Cooke* 4. *Inst.* 63. tells us, that the Exorbitancy and Enormity of some great horrible Crimes and Offences, as Oppression, Bribery, Extortion, &c. are properly within the Jurisdiction of the Star-Chamber. But whether the Clause in the 34. and 35. of *H. 8.* extends only to such sort of Crimes or to all sorts of Causes in general, as well Civil as Criminal, will be best proved by inspecting the very words of the Statute, which are these.

Item, That there shall be and remain a President and Council in the said Dominion and Principality of Wales, and the Marches of the same, with all Officers, Clerks and Incidents to the same, in Manner and Form as hath been heretofore used and accustomed: Which President and Council in the said Dominion and Principality of Wales, and the Marches of the same, shall have Power and Authority to hear and determine by their Wisdoms and Discretions, such Causes and Matters (Note this is General as to the Nature of the Causes) as be or hereafter shall be Assigned to them by the King's Majesty, as heretofore hath been accustomed and used.

Now he that hath eyes to see, let him see whether this Clause gives not a general Jurisdiction, as to the Quality and Nature of the Causes, if the King please to Assign them; and whether these words, as hath heretofore been used and accustomed, being twice repeated, once as to the Officers, and the second time as to the Jurisdiction, doth not plainly shew that both the Court and the Jurisdiction of it were ancienter than the Statute, and that the said Clause was rather a confirming than a constituting Clause, confirming the old Court and Jurisdiction, not constituting a new Court; which must be the meaning of calling that Clause a constituting Clause.

In the third Paragraph of the Case, it is said, that the Lordships-Marchers being found Inconvenient, by an Act of the 27 *H. 8.* they were made Welsh Counties, and the Court of great Sessions erected; and lest *Wales* should not acquiesce under such Constitution, the Court before the President and Council of the Marches, was continued, in nature of a Star-Chamber only.

It can never be, that the Court before the President and Council, was continued by the Stat. 27 *H. 8.* if it were true, what is said in the Case in the second Paragraph, that the Clause in the Stat. 34. and 35. *H. 8.* was a constituting Clause, and constituted that Court; for the 27 *H. 8.* is but seven years before the 34. and how any Court can be continued seven years before it is constituted and in being, seems so far impossible to me, that I may safely say the Case is Repugnant to it self, and I doubt not but the Author is of the same nature with the Off-spring; and rather than want room for Contention, he would Contest with and be Repugnant to himself, else he would not contend for the destroying and taking away any means to come at Justice, but would rather Regulate the Errors that have crept into that means, if any be.

The next and fourth Paragraph in the Case says, That the Statute of the 16 *Car. 1.* which took away the Star-Chamber Court, doth also take away this Court of the President and Council in the Marches, and the Presidents Court in the North; and declares, that the King and Council have no Jurisdiction by English Bill, or otherwise, to determine Causes: But that the same ought to be determined in the Courts of Justice by ordinary course of Law.

This is a very gross mistake, but whether it be more out of willfulness and design to deceive, than Dullness and want of Sense to understand the words of the Act, I will not now determine; but if you look upon the words of the said Stat. of 16 *Car. 1.* that takes away the Star-Chamber Court, it will appear as plain as any thing in the World, that it doth not take away the Court of the Marches, but the Star-Chamber part and Power of it only.

The Statute in the fore part of it, and before it, mentions any thing of the Court in the Marches, takes away all Jurisdiction, Power and Authority of the Grand Court of Star-Chamber at *Westminster*: It likewise intends to take away the like Power exercised in other Courts, but not the Courts themselves; and of this *Sit Liber Judex*. And therefore I will set down what the Statute says as to that matter, which is in these words following.

And be it likewise Enacted, That the like Jurisdiction used and exercised before the President and Council in the Marches of Wales, and also before the President and Council established in the North Parts, and also in the Court of the Duchy of Lancaster; and also in the Court of Exchequer in the County Palatine of Chester; the like Jurisdiction being exercised there, shall be Repealed and absolutely revoked and made void.

So that it is the like Jurisdiction exercised in those Courts beforementioned, in as plain and exprefs words as can be, and not the Courts themselves that is taken away by that Stat.

And the Author of the Case may as well say, that the Statute takes away the Court of the Duchy of Lancaster and of Chester as the Court in the Marches, for the Statute says the same thing of them all.

Indeed the Court of the North is fallen, but the Reason is, that it had not so good a Confirmation by Act of Parliament as the Court of Marches had, as is shewed before.

And as to what the Case says further of the Statute of 16 *Car. 1.* that it declares that the King and Council have no Jurisdiction by English Bill, or otherwise, to determine Civil Causes, but that the same ought to be determined in the Courts of Justice by ordinary course of Law: I say, that by the King's Council in that Statute, is meant his Privy Council, and not the Council in the Marches, which are his legal Council, as the Judges in all the Courts in *Westminster-Hall* are his Council in Matters of Law. And this Contruction is warranted by the very Title of the Act it self, which is in these words, *An Act for Regulating the Privy-Council, and taking away the Star-Chamber Court.*

As to that part of the said Paper, Entitled, *Reasons for taking away the Court*, and that part of it Entitled, *The Grievances*, they are in Effect all mentioned in a former Paper, Entitled, *The Grievances of his Majesties Subjects Residing in the Principality of Wales*, and are sufficiently answered already in a Paper in which the pretended Grievances are in one Column, and the Answers to them in another; and therefore at present I shall take notice only of two or three Particulars of what the Case says, that is, First as to the Sufficiency of the Court of Great Sessions, for Administration of Justice in *Wales*. Secondly, As to the Arbitrariness charged on the Court in the Marches. And Thirdly, As to the Allegation that the Inhabitants of *Wales*, are subject to the Jurisdiction of the Courts of *Westminster*, and the Great Sessions, and, as the Author says, this unnecessary Court of the Marches.

As to the Sufficiency of the Court of Great Sessions, I shall for Brevity sake mention but one Instance of its Insufficiency, and that is this, that if either Party in a Suit, be a Man of Interest in the County where the Suit is Commenced, and by that means may influence the Jury; there is not that remedy in the Court of Great Sessions against that Mischief, that is in other Courts; there being nothing more common or necessary, than upon Intimation of any such thing in *Westminster*, to order the Cause to be try'd in another indifferent County, but the Court of Great Sessions cannot order a Tryal in another County, without both Parties consent; so that there is a manifest failure of Justice in the Great Sessions in such cases, for want of Power to prevent Causes being try'd by Partial and Influenced Juries, which is a worse mischief than the Arbitrariness charged upon the Court in the Marches, by trying Causes by Witnesses and indifferent Judges; and this brings me to the next thing observable, viz.

As to the Arbitrariness of the Court, which is Assigned in this, that Damages in Cases wherein Damages are uncertain, are Assessed by the Judges without Jury, contrary to the Great Charter, the Laws and Birth-right of the Subject.

As to which I must take notice, that there is a great difference between Jury-men in these days, and when the Great Charter was made, there are more Errors crept in among Jury-men, than into this Court; there is Bribery and Embracery, and Favour now got into Juries; and it is we only in *England* that are fond of this sort of Tryal, the greatest part of the known World, that are govern'd by the Civil Law, try all by Witnesses and Judges without Jury, and you may find in *Fortescue* cap. 31. that Prince *Henry*, afterwards *Henry* the Sixth, argues strongly, that this sort of Tryal by Witnesses and Judges, is the only trial agreeable to the Law of God: but besides the Statute of 34. and 35. *H. 8.* which is later than the Great Charter, gives Power to the President and Council in the Marches, to determine according to their Discretion, such Causes as shall be Assigned them by the King; and how can any man with reason think, that such Learned and Worthy Men, and Men of Estates, as are and have been Judges in the Marches of *Wales*, should be corrupted in such small Matters as are Tried there? But if the Tryal by Juries will better please, why may not the Court in the Marches have Power to Summon Juries out of the Town of *Ludlow*, or the next adjacent Counties where all Transitory Actions arising in *Wales* may be tried, as well as Transitory Actions arising in any part of *England*, may be tried at *Guild hall* in *London* by a *London* Jury?

As to the charge of the Inhabitants of *Wales*, being subject to the Jurisdiction of the Courts of *Westminster*; and this Court of the Marches; I answer, that it is well known there are but four Courts that *Propter Eminentiam*, are called the Courts of *Westminster*, viz. the Chancery, the Kings-Bench, the Common-Pleas, and the Exchequer. The Chancery and Exchequer do each consist of an Equity part and Common-Law part, the Equity parts are boundless, as to the Extent of their Jurisdiction, but neither they, by their Common-Law Jurisdiction, nor the Kings-Bench nor Common-Pleas, have really and truly any Jurisdiction that extends into *Wales*, unless in such Cases wherein the King is a Party, and that by virtue of his Prerogative; nor do those Courts ever Issue out any Process either Mean or Judicial into *Wales*, but when the King is concerned. But true it is, the Officers in the Office of Pleas in the Exchequer, do make it their daily Practice to send out a *Quo Minus* to Arrest in *Wales*, but how is that done? It is for the most part by colour of a false Suggestion, that the Plaintiff is a Debtor to the King, who for want of Right against the Defendant, is less able to pay the King; so that if the Inhabitants of *Wales* be subject to the Courts of *Westminster*, in any case wherein the King is not concerned, they are not legally so, but are made so by a Trick and false Suggestion only, which I conceive fit to be prevented, and it were but Modesty in the Author of the Case, to forbear calling a Court unnecessary, so long as it hath the Confirmation of an Act of Parliament as this hath.

And whereas the Case says, That the Subjects of *Wales*, by keeping up this Court, are debarr'd from an Union with *England*, to me it is not discernable, any more than the Counties Palatine having *Jura Regalia* and an exempt Jurisdiction from *Westminster-Hall* within themselves, hinders their Union with the rest of *England*; and until the Author of the Case demonstrates this more clearly, I must be still of the same opinion I was before, that the Case is made up of nothing but Mistakes.

Regulation is very necessary sometimes, and I conceive the greatest defect in the Court, is want of a more ample Jurisdiction, and the best thing I humbly conceive that could be done for Administration of Justice in *Wales*, is to give the President and Council in the Marches, as large and ample a Jurisdiction as to *Wales*, as *Westminster-hall* hath as to *England*, and instead of the Great Sessions, let Causes be tried in the Welsh Counties by *Nisi Prius* from *Ludlow*, as they are in the English Counties by *Nisi Prius* from *Westminster*; and let nothing out of *Wales* come to *Westminster*, but by Writ of Error or Appeal, and this will not only be a great Advantage to *Wales*, by having Justice Administred near home, but it will prevent great Expence that both the Sheriffs and Gentlemen of *Wales* are now at, being forced to spend a whole Week at a time at a Great Sessions, whither there be any thing to do or no, whereas by this means they should not need stay there above two days at a time. All which is humbly Recommended to the consideration of all Well-wishers to the Prosperity of *Wales*.

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POSTSCRIPT.

The CASE of Sir Robert Dashwood, Knight and Baronet, Sir Samuel Dashwood, Knight, John Pery, and Edward Noell, Surviving Executors of George Dashwood, Esq; Deceased, in Trust for Minors, the younger Children of the said Mr. Dashwood, Appellants, from a Decree and several Orders in the Court of Exchequer, wherein they and others are Defendants at the Suit of Sir John Champante, Knight, Complainant.

4. Aug. 1671.
The Undertaking was for Five Years from 25th. Decemb. 1670. to 25th. Dec. 1675.
8. Nov. 1671.

8. May 1674.
Dashwood's Assignment.
Bill in Ireland.

8. Mar. 1682.

Bill in England.
6. Mar. 1675.
58756l. 4d.

Appellants Answer.

Trinity Vacation 1688.

23. Oct. 1688.

29. Oct. 1688.

Trinity Vacation 1688.

Easter and Trinity Terms 1689.

Decree.
20th. of June 1689.

6th. of December 1689.

Reasons of Appeal.

THE Lord Ranelagh, Sir Alexander Bennet, Sir James Hayes, Robert Huntington, Richard Kingdon, John Bennet, Joseph Dean, John Stepany, and the Testator Mr. Dashwood, by Letters-Patents under the Great Seal of England, were concerned in the Undertaking for Management of the Revenues of Ireland, from 25th. Dec. 1670. to 25th. Dec. 1675. and no longer; and by Commission also under the Great Seal dated 25th. Sept. 1671. the said Undertakers, or in their respective absences (most of them living here in England) several Persons therein named as their respective Representatives, or a Quorum of such five of them as are therein particularly named, were appointed to manage the undertaking until the said 25th. Dec. 1675. and no longer; and by Articles between the Undertakers, the Lord Ranelagh was to have and bear four 12th. Shares, and Mr. Dashwood, and each other of the Undertakers one 12th. Share of all Profits and Losses by the Undertaking. But the Representatives had no Interest in the Undertaking, and only acted for the respective Undertakers for a Salary allowed them by each Undertaker.

Sir John Champante was appointed Treasurer of the Undertaking, and by his Commission (which recites the said Commission to the Undertakers) was appointed to receive and pay all Money relating to the Undertaking, during the Continuance of his said Commission, in such manner as he should be directed in Writing, signed by the said Quorum of the Undertakers, or their Representatives, and not otherwise.

Sir John Champante's Accounts to the 25th. Decemb. 1673. were stated and drawn into two Accounts, one for 1671, and the other for 1673, and afterwards were examined; allowed of, and subscribed by a Quorum of the Undertakers, or their Representatives, and are not questioned.

George Dashwood by Indenture assigned his Share in the Undertaking to Sir James Hayes, and from that time Sir James Hayes was to stand in the place of Mr. Dashwood as to all Profit and Loss by the Undertaking. Of this Assignment Sir John Champante soon after had notice, and from the time of the Assignment, Mr. Dashwood never intermeddled in the Undertaking, nor further concerned himself therein.

Sir John Champante brought his Bill in the Exchequer in Ireland against my Lord Ranelagh and some others (and amongst others named therein the Testator Mr. Dashwood) and thereby demanded against them the Sum of 36454l. 8s. 8d. as due to him upon two pretended stated Accounts made up and stated about October 1677. by one Edward Roberts, by colour of an Authority given to him by the said Sir James Hayes and Mr. Stepany, without the privity or consent of any of the other Undertakers, one of the Accounts being from 25th. Decemb. 1673. to 25th. Decemb. 1674. and the other Account from 25th. Decemb. 1674. to the 24th. day of June 1677. But finding after he had filed his Bill that the Undertakers then concerned could falsify those Accounts in 12295l. in one inure Summ, Champante and Roberts alone, and without the privity of the Undertakers, about January 1678. being above 12 Months after the pretended Accounts were stated, altered the same, and cut out and destroyed the whole Charge-part of the Accounts being many Leaves, and caused a new Charge-part to be written over again, and fixed the last Leaf containing Roberts's Approbation of the Accounts to the Leaves so new added.

To this Bill in Ireland Mr. Dashwood never appeared, and died 18th. March 1682. long before the Case there was brought to Hearing, and the Suit was never revived there against the Appellants his Executors, nor they ever called to or made parties to the Bill or the Accounts. But 11th. June 1684. Champante obtained a Decree in Ireland against the Lord Ranelagh, and some others of the Undertakers which were then alive, for 24159l. 8s. 8d. besides Costs.

Sir John Champante afterwards exhibited his Bill in the Exchequer in England against my Lord Ranelagh and several others, and amongst the rest against the Appellants, the Executors of Mr. Dashwood, and thereby demanded the 24159l. 8s. 8d. decreed in Ireland, 17350l. for Monies he pretends he stands bound for, and 9150l. for Money he pretends he advanced besides other Principal Monies, Gratitudes, Commission-Monies, &c. not included in the said Accounts, amounting to 34566l. 11s. 07d. his Demand in all amounting on the 6th. of May 1675. to 58756l. 0s. 4d. and Interest for the same ever since, which was the first time the Appellants ever heard of Sir John Champante's Demands against them.

To this Bill the Appellants by their Answer amongst other things insisted, That their Testator had but a 12th. Share in the Undertaking, and had assigned as aforesaid, and that Champante soon after had notice thereof.

That the Appellants (being only Executors in Trust for Minors) being alarm'd with so great a Demand, and especially it being founded (as was pretended) upon a stated Account, and knowing their Testator had assigned as before is set forth, having found amongst his Writings a Counter-part of the said Assignment, inquired into the said Accounts, and Mr. Roberts's authority, and presently discovered that the great Summs that made up the Foot of the said pretended Accounts were Monies pretended to be advanced and borrowed by Sir John Champante for the Undertakers, long after Mr. Dashwood's Assignment, and without his order or privity, and after the end of the Undertaking, and that Roberts had not fairly stated the said Accounts, nor had any concluding authority to state the same.

That the Cause being at Issue, the Complainant in Trinity Vacation 1688. took a Commission into Ireland for Examining Witnesses, and the Appellants joyned in the Commission and sent a Person into Ireland on purpose to look after their Witnesses, and to attend the Execution of the Commission, who got some of their Witnesses Examined: But one Mr. John Beeley, who was employed as a Clerk in the Undertaking under Sir John Champante, and could have proved that Sir John Champante had notice of the Assignment from Mr. Dashwood to Sir James Hayes, was at that time sick at Sheppar distant from Dublin, and so could not be Examined at that Commission; and Mr. John Hayes who also was then in Ireland, and could have proved the Notice to Sir John Champante, was made a Defendant to prevent his Testimony, and could not be Examined without Leave of the Court which were the Reasons the Appellants exhibited no Interrogatories there, for to prove Notice of the said Assignment.

The Court was moved by the Appellants for a Commission to Examine their Witnesses as of Right due unto them, but the Barons denied it and only gave the Defendants a Weeks time to Examine Mr. John Hayes to prove Notice to Champante of Mr. Dashwood's Assignment, but Mr. Hayes then being in Ireland, and not returning it that time, nor long after could not be Examined.

The Person that went into Ireland to attend the Execution of the Commission came thence before the same was ended, that he might be in Town before the first day of Michaelmas Term 1688. to move for a new Commission, but being detained at Sea was prevented, but soon after his coming made Oath, That Mr. John Hayes, Mr. Beeley and others were material Witnesses for the Defendants, and set out in the Affidavit that Beeley could prove the Notice; and also what the other Witnesses could speak to, and the Reasons why they could not be Examined on the said first Commission; and thereupon the Court was again moved for a new Commission to Examine the said Witnesses, the Defendants never having had one before. But the Court refused to grant one, but ordered Mr. John Hayes to attend at the Hearing to be Examined as the Court should think fit; and the Court then declared that they would let in the Appellants to prove Notice if they found it material at the Hearing of the Cause.

The Appellants and other Defendants exhibited a Cross Bill against Champante, and therein charged him particularly to answer if he had not Notice of Mr. Dashwood's Assignment to the said Sir James Hayes: To this Bill Champante, refused to answer, but put in an Evasive Plea, upon hearing of which the Court of Exchequer would not give their Judgement, whether he should answer or not till they had heard the Cause upon Champante's Bill.

The Cause was heard in the Exchequer, and the Appellants the Executors proved the Assignment in Court, and had their said Witnesses there ready to prove Notice thereof to Champante. but the Court being altered, and all new Judges, and therefore strangers to the former Debates, would not hear them, and Champante endeavoured to prove that Mr. Dashwood acted in the Undertaking after the said Assignment, and exhibited for that purpose several Letters and Orders pretended to be signed by Mr. Dashwood, but the same were all counterfeited, and not Mr. Dashwood's Hand-writing.

The Court by their Order on Hearing declared, as on one side they were not fully satisfied to adjudge the said Accounts stated by Roberts to be conclusive, so on the other side, they would not disallow them as stated and closed Accounts, but being willing that in case the Defendants should have material Objections to offer against any of the Particulars of the Accounts, that the same should be examined by Auditors, referred it to the Auditors of the Imprest to examine the two last Accounts, and also if they are in the Method of the former Accounts, and the Auditors are to be armed with a Commission to examine Witnesses on both sides, if need be, concerning the said Accounts, as also for examining Champante, who not having answered the Cross Bill, is instead of an Answer thereto, to be examined upon Interrogatories: And in case of any Difficulty, the said Auditors are to certify the Matters specially, and crave the further Direction of the Court therein. And the said Auditors are also to state the Interest, Commission-Money, and Gratitudes upon the said two last Accounts, and take the Account of Champante's Receipts and Disbursements relating to the Undertaking since the 24th. of June 1677. and such of the Defendants as would be exempted from Accounting were to bring in their Cases for the Barons to consider of and the said John Hayes is thereby dismist as to being a Party to the Account, but is not to be examined as a Witness in the said Cause.

Upon passing of which Order or Decree the Appellants were not permitted to infer therein any part of their Answer or Defence, or that the said Assignment was proved in Court. The Appellants the Executors of Mr. Dashwood delivered in their Case for the Barons to consider of, and insisted that they ought not to be accountable to Champante further than from 25th. December 1673. to 8th. of May 1674. being the time Mr. Dashwood assigned to Sir James Hayes, or at farthest to the time Champante had Notice thereof, and that Champante as against them ought to come to a new Account to that time.

The Appellants Case coming to be heard before the Barons, who were strangers to the first Proceedings of the Cause, and to the Promises the Court had made to let in the Appellants to prove Notice at the hearing of the Cause, they refused to hear Witnesses *Verba sive* to prove the Notice, or to refer the same to be Tried by an Issue at Law, although the same was very Material, and so declared by the Court, and indeed was the sole Point upon which the Appellants Cause depended: And ordered, that the Appellants in regard they had not proved Notice in the Depositions before Hearing (which they were disabled to do for the Reasons aforesaid) should be subject to the whole Account, though one of the Barons declared his Opinion, that the Appellants ought to be permitted to try the Matter of Notice at Law.

Upon passing of which Order however the Appellants were not permitted to infer in the same, that their Council prayed the Court would allow them to examine their Witnesses, or to go to a Tryal at Law to prove the Notice, and that they ought to be discharged from the time of the Assignment and Notice thereof.

Against which Orders and Decree the Appellants have appealed, as conceiving the same unjust and contrary to Equity and good Conscience.

I. For that the Appellants Testator Mr. Dashwood, having by Deed under his Hand and Seal the 8th. of May 1674. assigned his share in the Undertaking to Sir James Hayes, another of the Undertakers, the Court ought before the Hearing to have granted the Appellants a Commission to have examined their Witnesses, (as was desired) and at the Hearing the Court ought to have examined the Appellants Witnesses to have proved Notice of the said Assignment (the Assignment itself being proved in Court) or to have let in the Appellants some other way to have proved the same, according to the former Declaration of the Court (before the Judges were altered) that they would do. And the Appellants ought not to have been decreed accountable further than to that time, Mr. Dashwood never acting nor intermeddling in the said Undertaking after the said Assignment. And the subsequent Letters and Orders produced by the said Sir John Champante as signed by Mr. Dashwood, to prove he acted afterwards, were all counterfeited, and not his Hand-writing, and near 30000l. of the said Account is for Monies pretended to be lent the Undertaking, long after Mr. Dashwood's Assignment; and the End of the Undertaking, which never did redound to the Benefit or Profit of Mr. Dashwood, and therefore not reasonable that his Estate should be chargeable with the same, and in truth one penny thereof was not paid or brought into the Undertaking.

II. For that the Court of Exchequer have thereby, as far in them lies, deprived the Appellants of all means of proving the Notice, for they have ordered Champante only to be examined upon Interrogatories instead of answering the Cross Bill, which, if he had answered, the Appellants might in that Cause have examined to the Notice. And they have also ordered that Mr. John Hayes, who is one of the Appellants Witnesses to prove the Notice, and was so declared before Publication, or the Hearing shall be dismist, as not being concerned in Interest, to account with or answer Champante's Demands, and yet to deprive the Appellants of his Testimony, have ordered he shall not be examined as a Witness in the Cause, notwithstanding he hath disclaimed by his Answer, and was not, nor is in any ways concerned in Interest, being only the Representative of Sir James Hayes.

III. For that the Court ought utterly to have rejected the pretended stated Accounts by Mr. Roberts (as to the Appellants) he having no Authority for stating thereof from the Appellants Testator; And Roberts himself hath sworn, that he understood the Authority was intended only for him to prepare the Accounts for the Undertakers perusal, and not that the same should be binding or conclusive to them. Nor was the said Authority signed by a Quorum of the Undertakers, or their Representatives, or by the Complainant Champante himself, and so he was not bound by what Roberts should do therein.

Also the said pretended stated Accounts are made up of general Heads and Abstracts, containing no Particulars of Times, Persons, or Sums paid or received: Besides, in them great Sums are allowed without sufficient Vouchers, and also vast Sums to the value of 100000l. and more are therein passed and allowed, without any Vouchers at all, and Champante refused to deliver the Vouchers he had, by a Schedule, though the Undertakers offered to take them, if he would do so, but carelessly threw them away, to prevent any Examination or Discovery thereof.

Also the said pretended stated Accounts were above a year after the making up of the same, and after a Bill brought in Ireland for the Monies pretended due thereupon, altered by Sir John Champante and Mr. Roberts, without the Privity of any of the Undertakers in 12295l. in one Item, as is since discovered, and all the Charge-part cut out and destroyed, and a new Charge-part of several Leaves put in the room thereof.

Also the said pretended Accounts are carried on until the 24th. of June 1677. whereas the Undertaking ended at Christmas 1675. and after that, Sir John Champante acted only by Order from some particular Persons then concerned in the Undertaking (but Mr. Dashwood was not any of them) so that that Account at most as against the Appellants (because Notice was not proved of the said Assignment) ought only to have been taken until Christmas 1675. And the same as to the Appellants, ought to have been an open Account, it not being pretended that their Testator ever had any Notice of the stating thereof, or concerned himself therein, or assented to the same.



K. Scotland. — Proclamations. — James II., King of Great Britain and Ireland.

By the King A P R O C L A M A T I O N. JAMES R.



JAMES the Seventh, by the Grace of God, King of Scotland, England, France and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, &c. To all and sundry Our good Subjects, whom these Presents do or may concern, Greeting: We having taken into Our Royal consideration, the many and great inconveniencies which have happened to that Our Ancient Kingdom of Scotland of late years, through the different Perswasions in the Christian Religion and the great Heats and Animosities among the several Professors thereof to the ruine and decay of Trade, waisting of Lands, extinguishing of Charity, contempt of the Royal Power, and converting of true Religion and the fear of God, into Animosities, Names, Factions, and sometimes into Sacrilege and Treason. And being resolved as much as in us lies to Unite the Hearts and Affections of Our Subjects to God in Religion, to Us in Loyalty, and to their Neighbours in Christian Love and Charity, have therefore thought fit to Grant, and by Our Sovereign Authority, Prerogative Royal, and absolute Power, which all Our Subjects are to obey without Reserve, Do hereby give and Grant our Royal Tolleration to the several professors of the Christian Religion after-named, with and under the several Conditions, Restrictions and Limitations after-mentioned. In the first place we Allow and Tollerate the Moderate Presbyterians, to meet in their private Houses, and there hear such Ministers as either have or are willing to accept of Our Indulgence Allannerly, and none other, and that there be not any thing said or done contrary to the Well and Peace of Our Reign, Seditious or Treasonable under the highest Pains the Crimes will Import; nor are they to presume to build Meeting-Houses, or to Use Out-Houses or Barns, but only to Exercise in their private Houses, as said is: In the mean time, it is our Royal Will and Pleasure that Field-Conventicles and such as Preach or Exercise at them, or who shall any ways Assist or Connive at them, shall be prosecuted according to the utmost severity of Our Laws made against them, seeing from these Rendezvous of Religion so much Disorder hath proceeded and so much Disturbance to the Government; and for which after this Our Royal Indulgence for tender Consciences, there is no Excuse left. In like manner We do hereby Tollerate Quakers, to meet and exercise in their Form, in any place or Places appointed for their Worship. And considering the severe and cruel Laws made against Roman Catholicks (therein called *Papists*) in the Minority of Our Royal Grand-Father of Glorious Memory without his Consent, and contrary to the duty of Good Subjects, by his Regents and other Enemies to their Lawful Sovereign, Our Royal Great Grand-Mother Queen Mary, of Blessed and Pious Memory, wherein under the pretence of Religion they Cloathed the worst of Treasons, Factions, and Ultras, and made these Laws not as against the Enemies of God, but the Crown; which Laws have still been continued of course, without design of Executing them, or any of them; *ad terrorem* only, on supposition that the *Papists* relying on an External Power were incapable of Duty and true Allegiance to their natural Sovereigns, and rightful Monarchy: We of Our certain Knowledge and long Experience knowing that the Catholicks as it is their principle to be Good Christians, so it is to be dutiful Subjects, and that they have likewise on all occasions shown themselves good and faithful Subjects to Us, and Our Royal Predecessor, by hazarding, and many of them actually losing their Lives and Fortunes in their Defence, (though of another Religion) and the maintenance of their Authority, against the Violences and Treasons of the most violent Abettors of these Laws, Do therefore with advice and consent of Our Privy Council, by our Sovereign Authority, Prerogative Royal and absolute Power aforesaid, Suspend, Stop, and Disable all Laws and Acts of Parliament, Customs or Constitutions made or Executed against any of our Roman-Catholick Subjects, in any time past, to all intents and purposes, making void all prohibitions therein mentioned, Pains or Penalties therein Ordained to be Inflicted, so that they shall in all things be as free in all respects as any of Our Protestant Subjects whatsoever, not only to Exercise their Religion, but to enjoy all Offices, Benefices, and others, which We shall think fit to bestow upon them in all time coming: Nevertheless it is our Will and Pleasure, and we do hereby command all Catholicks at their highest Pains, only to exercise their Religious Worship in Houses or Chappels; and that they presume not to Preach in the open Fields, or to Invade the Protestant Churches by force, under the pains aforesaid, to be inflicted upon the Offenders respectively, nor shall they presume to make publick Processions in the High-Streets of any of Our Royal Burghs under the Pains above-mentioned. And whereas the Obedience and Service of Our good Subjects is due to Us by their Allegiance, and Our Sovereignty, and that no Law, Custom, or Constitution, Difference in Religion, or other impediment whatsoever can exempt or discharge the Subjects from their Native Obligations and Duty to the Crown, or hinder Us from protecting and employing them, according to their several Capacities, and Our Royal Pleasure, nor restrain us from conferring Heretable Rights and Priviledges upon them, or Vacuate or Annul these Rights Heretable, when they are made or conferred: And likewise considering that some Oaths are capable of being Wrested by Men of Sinistrous Intentations, a practice in that Kingdom fatal to Religion, as it was to Loyalty; Do therefore, with Advice and Consent aforesaid, Cuss, Annul and discharge all Oath whatsoever, by which any of Our Subjects are incapacitated or disabled from holding Places, or Offices in our said Kingdom or enjoying there Hereditary Rights and Priviledges, Discharging the same to be taken or given in any time coming, without our special Warrant and Consent, under the pains due to the Contempt of Our Royal Commands and Authority; and to this effect, We do by Our Royal Authority aforesaid, Stop, Disable, and Dispench with all the said Session of the said Parliament; the sixth Act of the third Parliament of the said King Charles; the twenty first and twenty fifth Acts of that Parliament; and the thirteenth Act of the first Session of Our late Parliament, in so far allannerly as concerns the taking the Oaths or Tests therein prescribed, and all others, as well not mentioned, as mentioned, and that in place of them, all Our good Subjects, or such of them as We or Our Privy Council shall require so to do, shall take and Swear the following Oath allannerly, *I A. B. Do Acknowledge, Testifie ad Ceclare, that JAMES the Seventh, by the Grace of God, King of Scotland, England, France and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, &c. is rightful King, and Supreme Governour of these Realms, and over all Persons therein, and that it is unlawful for Subjects, on any pretence, or for any cause whatsoever, to rise in Arms against Him, or any Commissioned by him, and that I shall never so rise in Arms: nor assist any who shall do so; and that I shall never resist his Power or Authority, nor ever Oppose His Authority, to His Person, as I shall answer to God, but shall to the utmost of my power Assist, Defend and Maintain Him, his Heirs and Lawful Successors, in the Exercise of Their absolute Power and Authority, against all Deadly, So help me God.* And seeing many of our good Subjects have, before Our Pleasure in these matters was made publick, incurred the Guilt appointed by the Acts of Parliament above-mentioned, or others; We by Our Authority and absolute Power and Prerogative-Royal above-mentioned, of our certain Knowledge and innate Mercy, Give Our ample and full Indemnity to those of the Roman-Catholick or *Papish* Religion, for all things by them done contrary to Our Laws or Acts of Parliament, made in any time past relating to their Religion, the Worship and Exercise thereof, or for being *Papists*, Jesuites, or Traffickers, for hearing or saying of Mass, Concealing of Priests or Jesuites, or breeding their Children Catholicks at home or abroad, or any other thing, Rite, or Doctrine said, performed or maintained by them, or any of them: And likewise for holding or taking of Places, Employments or Offices, contrary to any Law or Constitution, Advices given to Us or our Council, Actions, done or generally any thing performed or said against the known Laws of that Our Ancient Kingdom; Excepting always from this Our Royal Indemnity all Murders, Assassinations, Thefts, and such like other Crimes, which never used to be comprehended in Our General Acts of Indemnity. And We Command and Require all Our Judges, or others concerned, to explain this in the most ample sense and meaning Acts of Indemnity at any time have contained: Declaring this shall be as good to every one concerned, as if they had Our Royal Pardon and Remission under our Great Seal of that Kingdom. And likewise for Indemnifying our Protestant Subjects, from all Pains and Penalties due for hearing or preaching in Houses, provided there be no Treasonable Speeches uttered in the said Conventicles by them, in which Case the Law is only to take place against the Guilty, and none other present: Providing also that they Reveal to any of our Council the Guilt so committed. As also excepting all Fines or effects of Sentences already given; and likewise indemnifying fully and freely all Quakers for their Meetings and Worships in all time past, Preceding the publication of these Presents; and we doubt not but our Protestant Subjects will give their Assistance and concourse hereunto on all occasions, in their respective Capacities: In consideration whereof, and the Ease those of Our Religion and others may have hereby: and for the Encouragement of Our Protestant Bishops and the regular Clergy, and such as have hitherto lived orderly, We think fit to declare that it never was Our Principles, nor will we ever suffer Violence to be offered to any Mans Conscience, nor will we use force or invincible necessity against any Man on the account of his Perswasion, nor the Protestant Religion, but will protect Our Bishops and other Ministers in their Functions, Rights, and Properties and all Our Protestant Subjects in the free exercise of their Protestant Religion in the Churches; and that we will and hereby promise on Our Royal Word to maintain the Possessors of Church-Lands, formerly belonging to Abbeyes, or other Churches of the Catholick Religion, in their full and free possession and Rights, according to Our Laws and Acts of Parliament in that behalf in all time coming; and we will employ indifferently all our Subjects, of all Perswasions, so as none shall meet with any Discouragement on the account of his Religion, but be advanced and esteemed by Us according to their several Capacities, and Qualifications, so long as we find Charity and Unity maintained; and if any Animosities shall arise, as we hope in God there will not, We will show the severest effects Our Royal Displeasure against the Beginners or Fomenters thereof, Seeing thereby Our Subjects may be deprived of this general Ease and Satisfaction we intend to all of them, Whose Happiness, Prosperity, Wealth and Safety, is so much Our Royal Care, that we will leave nothing undone which may procure these Blessings for them. And lastly to the end all Our good Subjects may have notice of this Our Royal Will and Pleasure we do hereby command Our Lyon King at Arms, and his Brethren Heralds, Maces Pursevants and Messengers at Arms to make timeous Proclamation thereof at the Mercat Cross of Edinburgh; and besides the Printing and publishing of this our Royal Proclamation, it is Our express Will and Pleasure that the same be putt under the great Seal of that Our Kingdom *per saltum*, without passing any other Seal or Register: In order whereunto this shall be to the Directors of Our Chancellery and their Deputies for Writing the same, and to our Chancellor, for causing our Great Seal aforesaid, to be Appended thereunto, a sufficient Warrant.

Given at Our Court at White-hall, the Twelfth of February, 1687. And of Our Reign the Third Year.

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For the pain of
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I. They exceedingly comfort and strengthen the Stomach; they restore the lost Appetite, they purge Choller and Melancholy, but chiefly Phlegm and waterrish Matter: They cleanse the same of all putrid, gross and thick Humors; they comfort the Intrals, open Obstructions, and disperse all the pain of these places.

For Diseases of
the Head.

II. They strengthen the Head and all the Senses, but chiefly that of Hearing and Sight, whose weakness and pain they remove; they help the Giddiness thereof, and the Megrim: And as they comfort and purge the Stomach, so they do the like both to Head and Heart; and have this excellent faculty, that being mixed with other Physick, they correct its malignity, and make it unhurtfull to the Stomach, and are therefore to be preferred to all other gentle and easie Medicines.

For the Diseases
of the
Belly.

III. they are wonderfully helpful to all Diseases of the Womb, and all other maladies belonging to Women, that proceed from coldness by chance or constitution: For they safely and easily purge and empty the Belly, without pain or gripings, and carry out by their proper passages, all those vicious humours and other dregs that are stopped on a Woman after her delivery: And they much help Barrenness that proceedeth from uncleanness of the Womb, and cleanse Women from their White-flux, and so fitteth and enableth them for Conception. Also they may be taken by Women with Child, for yielding them ease in their Bellies gently, without any hazard of miscarrying at all, one every Night before Supper.

Against
Worms.

IV. They kill and choak all Worms that are bred in the Wombs of Children, Big-belly'd-Women that are bound in the Belly, and of Men: Yea, not any body, that frequently useth these Pills, can breed Worms at all.

For the bound
Belly of Women
with Child.

V. And if in Women with Child, the Belly be bound, which often happeneth, you must have a special care, that in the time of her Birth, the great Guts, being extended with Excrements, doth not augment her pains in Travel: To avoid which, it is my counsel, that in such cases, you have alway ready in your Cabinet some of these Pills, especially seeing neither Clifter nor Suppositors are so convenient, because they trouble and irritate these lower places about the Womb, which may cause Abortion: Then these Pills, yea, even in the time of Delivery, (as has been observed by many) being taken in a new laid soft roasted Egg, have afforded great help, without any danger.

For the pain of
the Head by
vapours from
the Stomach.
For the Bleeds,
Eyes, Dropsie,
and Palisie.

VI. They do not indeed purge the whole Body, but they gently purge and throw out in the siege, all Choller that is seated in the Stomach and Intrals: Therefore they are to be given to them who are tormented with a sore head, by reason of the noisom vapours that continually ascend thence from the Stomach. And for the same reason they are to be given to them that are Blear-ey'd, and to them who by growth of Choller are continually thirsty, and have their Mouth and Tongue always dry, and find an heat and loathing, with an overturning in their Stomach. They are moreover to be given to those that are against nature over much pale: And who have need to be delivered of superfluous Humours of the Body.

Stone, Scurvy,
Cholick,
Dropie,
For the Green-
sickness and
Palisie.

VII. They hinder likewise the procreation of many Diseases, and the corruption of the Food: And wonderfully defend the Body against Surfeits in Eating or Drinking, which most frequently after sleep beget corrupt and crude humours, and so are a sovereign help for the Gravel, Scurvy, Cholick and Dropie, and Green-sickness, and Palisie, one every Day.

Against 'Ca-
rhars and di-
fluxions in the
Joyns.

VIII. If the Head, subject to defluxions, keepeth intelligence with a moist and fuming Stomach, and threatneth the joyns with a Deluge, these Angelick Grains will so stop their Streams, that famous Physician hath promised they shall be free from the Gour, and all other Diseases of the joyns, who shall use these Pills frequently and familiarly: For by them the daily Crudities and superfluities of the Meat being taken away, and carried into the sink of the Belly, they cannot harm the joints at all, nor procure Diseases, which otherwise could not be avoided; whilst the more noble parts, being oppressed therewith, could not, but for their own Preservation, send them to be quartered in the baser parts of the Body.

Full at Sea.

IX. They are also singularly usefull to all Sea-faring persons, especially in long Voyages, where (by frequent experience) it hath appeared that such as have taken 1, 2 or 3 of these Pills at Night, have not only been kept from Costiveness, which is the cause of most Sickness at Sea, but likewise been preserv'd from Scurvy, Pestilential Feavers and several other Malignant Distempers, so frequent in Foreign Countreys, into which others at the same time, either for want, or neglecting the use of these Pills, have fallen.

The way of
taking them.

X. You may use them at your pleasure, whether late or early, or any hour of the Day, before Meat or after Meat, or in the time of Feeding; but being taken in time of Supper, they defend the Head (as we have said) from those vapours and fumes that ascend to it in the Night. They are familiarly taken in time of Meat, without trouble to the mind, or harm to the Body, and not any hindrance of your business. The Dose is from Three to Seven, Nine, or Eleven, and that three or four times a Month, as necessity or the temper of the Body shall require. They give not many Stools, neither do they work violently nor suddenly: They open the Belly twelve hours after they are taken: sometimes in shorter or longer time, and with some habits of Body, the first Dose operates not at all. Altho the Dose from three upwards, taken some Days together, operates with the greatest facility, those various Operations arising from the Disposition of the Stomach and Body; and they may be used without any special care of Rules in your Diet, whether in Summer or Winter, in Frost, or in Thaw Weather, without any inconveniency to ensue thereupon.

For Children
and Old Men.

XI. They are of so easy and innocent Operation, that they may be given to Children and decrepit old Men, and that most securely; and to delicate Persons who are not much employed in labour, and others who cannot away with other Purgatives, may easily swallow down these. They are an Enemy to most Diseases, and have much friendship to the noblest Intrals of the Body, and is of so wholesom and general use, and so much both known and approved in these Nations, that none who have once tryed the same, and found the good effects thereof, will willingly want the same again, when they stand in need of Physick, which they may have ready for all sudden accidents, which through the neglect of these Grains, if they suffer them to take rooting, will not afterward be removed so easily. But he that desires to live a long Life and an Healthful, that every Day he use one of them at his Mid-day and Evening Refreshment, he will soon find the benefit of them. They are exceeding good for the Wind of the Stomach.

XII. We suppose there be few or none in these Kingdoms, but know the Life and Excellency of Doctor Anderson's Angelical Pills, who perhaps are ignorant of the dangerous Abuse and counterfeiting them by sundry unskillfull Persons, whose Pills differ so much from the Upright ones, that whoever made use formerly of the True Pills, does find such to be but base Counterfeits, whereby some of great worth have been put in hazard of their Lives, instead of being bettered: And because this is a business of high concernment to every Nation; for prevention of such inconveniencies to the People for the future, it is thought fit to signifie, That these Upright Pills are (ever since the Death of the said Doctor's own Daughter Mrs. Katherine Anderson) now only made by Mrs. Isabella Inglis, with the care and inspection of Mr. Ja. Inglis her Husband, living in Long-Acre, London, who alone, by ORDER OF AUTHORITY, do publish and vend the said Pills.

I. That some who have counterfeited these Pills, with my Sign, and Printed Directions here in London, have been proved Liars and Cheats before His Majesties Physicians. And that attempts have been made by some Counterfeits from Scotland, who having first fled for fear of Justice, caused their Malicious Lying Bills to be Published not only against me, but also in Contempt of Authority.

II. Because several of the said Noxious and Covetous Impostors, have Counterfeited these my Directions, and the usual Seal upon the Boxes. It is now altered as was mentioned in the Gazette, N^o. 2927. Viz. In a Field Azure: A Lion Rampant, and three Mollets Argent: The Crest, Dr. Anderson's Head, twixt I. I. with his Name round it: And Isabella Inglis underneath the Shield in a Scroll, According to the Impression in the Margin, with which the Boxes are Sealed on the top.

These Pills are to be sold by Mrs. Inglis at the Hand and Pen near the King's Bagnio in Long-Acre, London.



The CASE of Sir Robert Cleark,

In an Appeal against Henry Serle, Esquire.



IR *John Berkenhead* died seized in Fee of four six parts of Little *Lincolns-Inn-Fields*, and possessed of another sixth part, for the remainder of *Nine-ty-nine Years* (The other sixth part was bought of *Sir William Hooker*) and of a personal Estate in Books and other Goods. And by his Will in *December 1679*, gave all his Lands to *Rupert* and *Randolph Berkenhead*, to perform his Will; which if they did not in six Months, he then gave his Estate to his Executors, *Sir Richard Mafon* and *Serjeant Brampton*, for the uses aforesaid.

Dr. Birkhead, a Creditor of *Sir John Berkenheads*, being acquainted with the Plaintiff, *Sir Robert Cleark*, told him, That he believed there might be a very advantageous bargain bought of the said Fields; and *Sir Robert Cleark* being next Chamber-Fellow in *Lincolns-Inn* to *Mr. Serle*, and well acquainted, told him of the said bargain; who earnestly desired, that he might be admitted a sharer with them in the said Purchase; to which *Sir Robert* (believing him to be an honest man) consented, and so did the Doctor upon *Sir Robert's* Request.

They proceeded in a joyn't design of Purchasing. And the *7th. of January 1679*, they made an Agreement in Writing with *Rupert* and *Randolph Berkenhead*, for *Sir John's* Real and Personal Estate, which was to this Effect: That they should satisfie *Sir John's* Debts and Legacies, according to his Will, and to pay *642 l.* to *Rupert*, and *600 l.* to *Randolph Berkenhead*.

The *13th. January 1679*, *Rupert* and *Randolph*, in consideration of *1200 l.* Execute a Conveyance of the Fields to *Mr. Serle*, and his Heirs; for which, *Sir Robert Cleark* became joyn'tly bound with *Mr. Serle*, to pay each of them *600 l.* a piece at the end of three Months, with Interest; and of the remaining *42 l.* to *Rupert*, *Sir Robert* paid down *Eighteen Guinues*, and *Mr. Serle* the rest.

The *16th. January 1679*, *Mr. Serle* Executes a Conveyance under his Hand and Seal, to *Sir Robert Cleark*, reciting the Deed before made to him of the said Fields; and declaring, That it was in Trust for *Sir Robert Cleark* and his Heirs, as to one third part thereof, he paying a third part of the purchase Money; and of all the Debts, charges and incumbrances thereon. And at the same time, Executes the like Conveyance to *Dr. Birkhead*, for another third part; upon the Sealing of which, the Doctor gave up a Bond of *500 l.* (being a Debt of *Sir John Berkenhead's*) to be Cancelled, and entred into another of *1000 l.* to *Mr. Serle*, to pay the remainder of his third share of the Purchase Money.

February, 21th. 1679, For a further Confirmation of the former Agreement made with *Rupert* and *Randolph Berkenhead*; The two Executors, *Sir Richard Mafon* and *Serjeant Brampton*, make a Bill of Sale of all the personal Estate to *Sir Robert Cleark* and *Mr. Serle*; who thereupon became joyn'tly bound to *Mr. Buily*, for the payment of *200 l.* unto *Sir Henry Bernard* for *250 l.* to pay the Debts of the Will.

The *6th. of March, 1679*, *Dr. Birkhead* delivers up his Deed of Trust for the Equall benefit of *Sir Robert* and *Mr. Serle*; and thereupon they became joyn'tly bound to pay him *500 l.* with Interest (which *Sir Robert* has Since paid.)

The *13th. of March 1679*, for a further Coroboration of their Title to the Fields, The two Executors, and *Rupert* and *Randolph Berkenhead*, all joyn in a Conveyance of the Fields to *Mr. Serle* and his Heirs. (The Estate being Conveyed to him at first.) And at this time, *Mr. Serle* (it seems) designing some Advantage thereby, told *Sir Robert*, That he need not joyn in the Bonds to the *Berkenheads* as before; for that he was bound for Money enough already, till the Estate in Law was conveyed to him; and that he would perswade the *Berkenheads* to take his single Bond, which they did accordingly; and the former Bonds were delivered up.

Sir Robert Cleark about three Years after sells his Moyety of the said Fields to *Dr. Barbon* for *3000 l.* of which *2000 l.* was paid down, the other *1000 l.* was to be paid upon *Sir Robert's* Executing a legal Conveyance to the Doctor, his Heirs or Assignes.

Sir Robert, that he might perfect his Agreement with the Doctor, desires *Mr. Serle* to Convey to him the Moyety of the Fields: Which he refusing to do, he brought his Bill before the Right Honourable the Lord Keeper; who, upon hearing the Cause, thought fit to decree, That he should have a Moyety of the Personal Estate; but did not decree him his Share of the Fields; for the reason (as he humbly conceives) that he believed, that *Sir Robert* waved his Interest, and promised to deliver up his Deed; and the chief proof of this Evidence, is from what *Samuel Ogle*, the Servant of *Mr. Serle*, and *Randolph Berkenhead* Swears; which are to this Effect:

Ogle Swears, That the Declaration of Trust, which he drew by the Order of his Master, *Mr. Serle*, was delivered upon this Condition; That *Sir Robert* should pay all his Share of his Purchase-Money, when the Executors should joyn in a Conveyance of the said Fields: And if he did not, he was to deliver it up; and it was to be void.

That he gave *Sir Robert Cleark* Notice sometime before the Executors seal'd the Conveyance; and that *Sir Robert Cleark* was present at the Executing of the Conveyances, and at that time he did not pay his Purchase-Money; but some time after waved his Interest in the Fields, and promised to deliver up the Deed of Trust.

All which *Sir Robert Cleark* hath, in Two Answers, upon his Oath, denied; and how improbable it is to be true, which he swears, will appear by these Circumstances:

I. There could be then no such Condition as *Ogle* swears: That is, That *Sir Robert* should pay his Money when the Executors should joyn: For they had not then Agreed with the Executors; and therefore could not tell, whether they would joyn, or no. They were then no ways obliged to do it; and it was not necessary, the Title being Good without.

II. It is not probable, there was such a Condition annexed; for *Ogle* swears it, that drew the Deed; and had it been true, might as well have put it into the Deed. And *Mr. Serle* is a Counsellor, that directed the Deed, and would not have suffered his Servant to omit such a Condition, because he knew it would not then be good in Law.

III. There was no Occasion for such a Condition; for *Sir Robert Cleark* had, Three Dayes before the Deed was Sealed, paid his Proportion in Money, and by being bound with *Mr. Serle* to the Two *Berkenheads*; which were not due in a Month after the Time the Conveyances were sealed by the Executors;

Besides, it is not probable to be true, what *Ogle* swears, That *Sir Robert*, on the *13th. of March, 1679*, did not pay his Purchase-Money; and therefore, afterwards, waved his Interest, and promised to deliver up his Deed of Trust.

Nor what *Randolph* Swears; That, at the time of the Executors joyning in the Conveyances, he took *Sir Robert* aside, and asked him, Why he was not Bound with *Mr. Serle*? And he told him, It was because he was afraid he should not be able to raise his share of the Purchase-Money.

I. For the Money was only then paid by Bond; and *Sir Robert* might have been better able to have paid his share of the Bonds, when Due, as well as those other, where-in he was before bound, by having a share in the Field, which were of very great Value; then he could be to pay the other Bonds without a Share.

II. For on the Sixth of *March*, (being Seven Days before) he was bound to *Dr. Birkhead*, to pay Five hundred Pounds for his Third Share of the Lands; and in that short time, there doth not appear any Change in the Value of the Estate; and therefore no reason (on a sudden) to change his Mind; for it was before any Opposition to the Building from *Lincolns-Inn*: And about that time, they were offered, by *Dr. Barbon*, One thousand Pound profit for that Third Share: And before that, they valued the Fields at Twenty thousand Pounds, as appears by Proof.

III. There is not the least Proof, That *Mr. Serle* did give, or offer'd him any Consideration, for the waving his Interest, and promising to give up his Deed of Trust.

IV. Nor any Proof, That he was to be saved harmless, and Indemnified from those Bonds he had entred into, to *Dr. Birkhead*, *Mr. Buily*, and *Sir Henry Bernard*.

V. There is Proof, That after the Thirteenth of *March*, and Time of the pretended Waver, *Sir Robert* concern'd himself in getting a Patent from the King, to build the Fields; and his Name is in the Petition and Bill for the Patent.

VI. There is Proof, That *Sir Robert* Agreed after the Thirteenth of *March, 1679*, to buy an House in *Chancery-Lane*, to make a better Way into the said Fields; and concerned himself in the Modal for Building, and staking out the Fields.

VII. Besides, after the Thirteenth of *March*, *Sir Robert*, in an Answer to *Mr. Cary's* Bill, Exhibited for his Right of some Privileges in the Fields, swears, He had an Interest with *Mr. Serle* in the said Fields: *Mr. Serle*, in his Answer to the said Bill, does not deny it; and they joyn'tly maintain'd the Suit: Whereas, had *Sir Robert* then waved his Interest, he might and would certainly, in his Answer, have disclaimed All Interest in the Fields, and saved himself the Charge and Trouble of the Suit.

All which makes it probable, that what *Ogle*, and *Rupert Berkenhead* have sworn, is not true, but on the contrary: The Reason why *Sir Robert* did not joyn in the Bonds, was, by the Artifice of *Mr. Serle*, telling him, there was was no occasion; For that *Berkenhead* were content to take his single Bond.

But if it had been true, it is but a Discourse, and ought not to set aside a Deed under Hand and Seal, since the Act made against Frauds and Perjuries; which has provided, That no Deed nor Declaration of Trust, shall be Assigned, made Void, or Altered, but by Writing.

I. For this Decree makes a Breach upon an Act of Parliament, and will leave a Gap open hereafter for crafty and designing Men, who know it is easier to get Words and Discourse sworn, than to Alter what is written; and therefore, the Law was made to defend Men's Estates against such intreagues; and how dangerous may the Consequence be, is obvious; since it is a time, when Perjuries, to the Amazement of Man-kind, have been practiced.

II. If this Decree should not be repealed, it will be the occasion of perpetual Suits in *Chancery*: For *Cleark's* Case will be cited for a Precedent, by all those, whose Interest it is to make use of a Discourse, to avoid a Deed: And if it should be Confirmed by a Decree of the House of Lords, it will have the greater Authority: Now there will be an Act of Parliament against Frauds and Perjuries, for those that are on the contrary side; so that it will remain solely in the Breast of the Court of Equity, which side to take, which cannot be known, but by a chargeable Suit.

III. If there should be such a Power left in a Court of Equity, to allow a Discourse, to alter or make void a Deed, then no Man can purchase with any Safety: And that Act which was made for the Benefit and Security of the Purchaser, will become his greatest prejudice; for before this Law, the Purchaser had a Remedy upon his Covenant against Incumbrances, if by any Discourse or Evidence of that sort, his Title was prejudiced. But now, (by this Law) Discourse is no Incumbrance; so that, the Purchaser may lose his Estate, (as will be the Case of *Dr. Barbon*, if he be not relieved) and he has no Remedy against the Person that Sells.

